

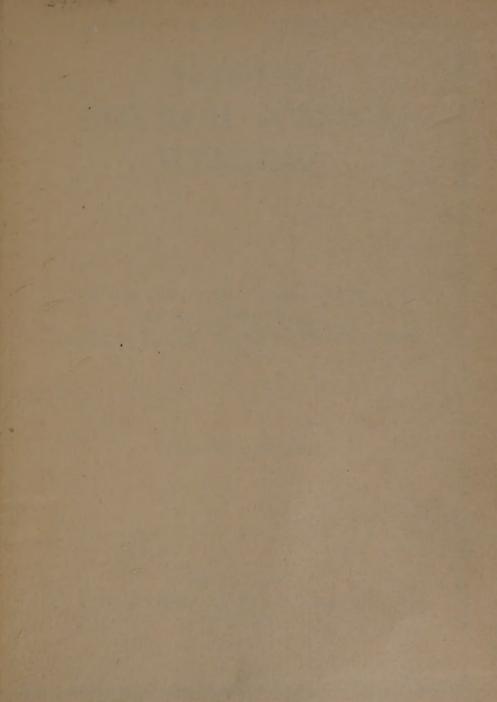
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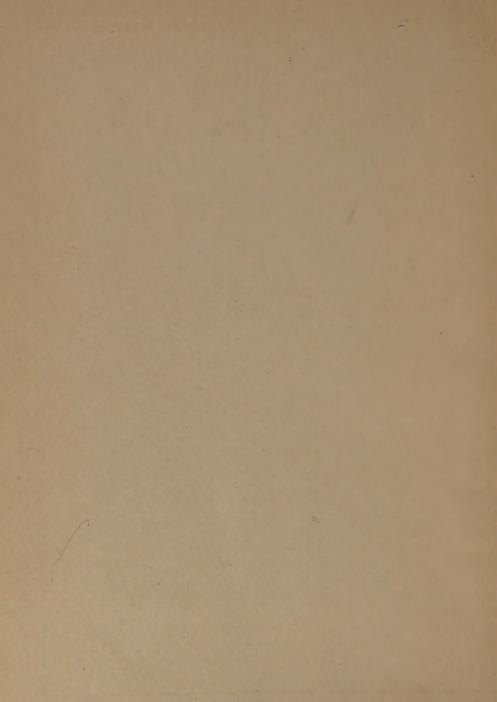
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Preface

The Junior Church School Hymnal was compiled with strict adherence to principles that brought about the following results: (1) The contents are correlated with the Junior Program, and express the aims, ideals, and spirit of that Program. (2) Hymns and music are graded to the life, need, and experience of Juniors, and, together with voicing the religious feelings that are normal to them, challenge their faith, loyalty, and enthusiasm. (3) All other materials, including prayers, religious poems, anthems, instrumental selections, and hymn annotations, were accepted only after the most careful study and revision. (4) The book was designed to be an inspiring manual to aid children in their devotions. (5) Conscientious effort was made to make this a book of optimism and cheer, and so reflect the happiness and freedom of the Juniors, as well as express the spirit and genius of Him who came that life might be joyous and complete.

The Junior Church School Hymnal is divided into sections, the themes of which are determined by the objectives of the Junior Program. Among the objectives are the following: to bring boys and girls to a joyous consciousness of God's presence and fatherhood; to lead them to a happy realization of the unfailing friendship and lordship of Jesus Christ; to stimulate Christlike friendliness for all classes and races; to train for Christian living in home, school, nation, and world; to establish health habits as an essential for Christian living; and to provide sympathetic leadership for the enjoyment of a wholesome play life. These objectives, so arresting and comprehensive, determine the range and purpose of this book, which, by virtue of them, it is hoped may render a very definite and friendly ministry to the Junior Church school.

To realize more fully the ends of the Program in the life of Juniors, it was necessary to have much new material written. In one section alone, in addition to choice selections secured from American and European sources, as many as ten hymns and tunes appear for the first time. Because this new material is so vital to the Junior Program, and reflects its objectives, leaders are urged to familiarize themselves with it, teach it to the boys and girls, and use it in services of worship.

No program of Christian nurture can be satisfactory unless it provides training in worship. Worship is largely contemplating and adoring God; while it includes thought, will, and feeling, it is mostly the latter. Worship is dominantly emotional, and on that account needs and expresses itself in music, which is universally recognized to be the language of the emotions. In a very

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special sense, therefore, music is the language of worship. Because of this fact, great care was exercised in selecting hymns especially rich in devotional qualities and music that is beautiful, stately, and worshipful. "Conduct" hymns and others reflecting Junior religious experiences, or reflecting great ideals, have been given a large place. One purpose alone has been adhered to—to provide a body of religious music adapted to the group. In the measure that this music becomes a permanent factor in the life of Juniors, it will determine those spiritual attitudes and ideals that will contribute to the attainment of Christian character.

That the worship of Juniors may be wisely directed and diversified, typical services of worship are included. They are provided in the hope that they may inspire initiative and supply guidance in the effort to make worship more intimate and vital. One way in which this may be done is to help Juniors occasionally to plan services which are evolved from their own needs and experiences. To help them toward that end the sections containing prayers and collects, religious poetry, and hymn annotations, will be found valuable.

Because the Junior choir is becoming an increasingly important factor in the life and the work of the church, anthems and hymns are added for its use. The section is just large enough to inspire leaders to acquaint themselves with much new material now available, which was written especially for Junior voices. To such worthy effort the Junior Church School Hymnal offers encouragement.

The purpose of the Junior Church School Hymnal will be more fully realized if it is made a companion in private devotions. Juniors should, therefore, be encouraged to secure their own copies and use them in the home as the occasion arises, and especially on Sunday afternoons or evenings, when, as is the custom in many families, the great hymns and prayers of the Church are sung and taught. To allow the book to remain in the hymn racks of the schoolroom, in much the same way as many churches consign their hymnals to the pew racks, is to defeat the volume's purpose and, what is still more deplorable, deprive childhood of its rich, resourceful, and inspiring hymnodic heritage.

Many persons helped to make the Junior Church School Hymnal possible. More than a score of experts in Christian education contributed hymns and music and responded promptly and generously. The utmost care was taken to ascertain the owners of copyrights, and credit has been given to the author, composer, and publisher wherever due. If unwittingly any courtesy has been neglected, or right has been infringed, the editor offers his apology, and will see that proper acknowledgments are made in future editions.

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This volume goes forth with the earnest prayer that its ministry may result in the enrichment of the lives of Junior boys and girls, and enable them

in worship to render God perfect praise.

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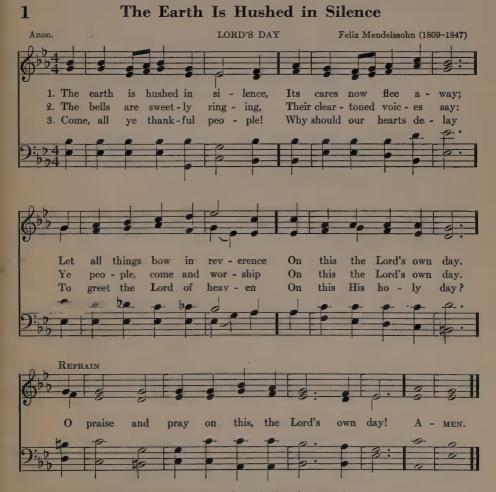
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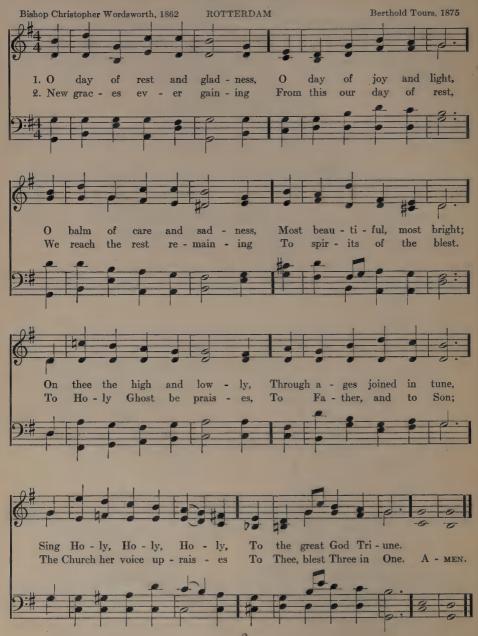
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O Day of Rest and Gladness



This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made



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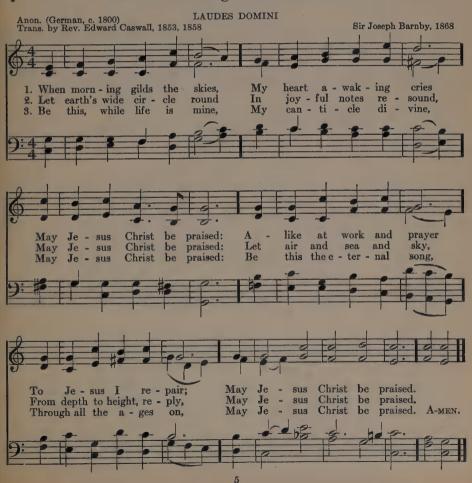
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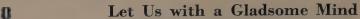


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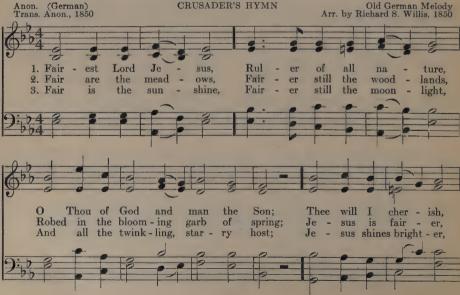




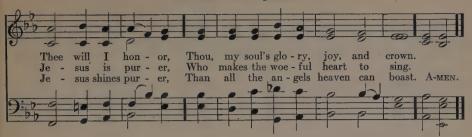


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Fairest Lord Jesus CRUSADER'S HYMN



Fairest Lord Jesus



10 The Sun Is on the Land and Sea



Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty



Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee



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13 The Lord Be with Us as We Bend



We Come with Songs of Gladness

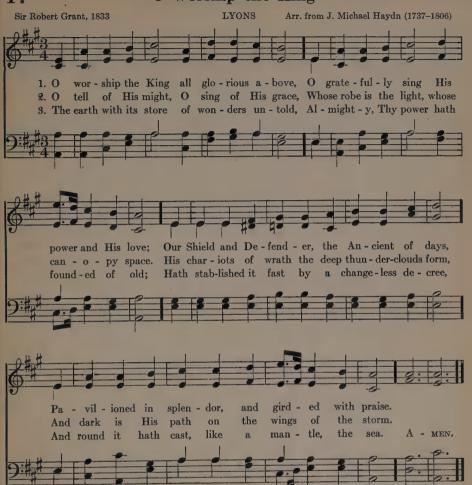


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16 Lord, Thy Glory Fills the Heaven



O Worship the King



- 4 Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
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 It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;
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- 5 O measureless Might! Ineffable Love! While angels delight to hymn Thee above, The humble creation, though feeble their lays, With true adoration shall lisp to Thy praise.

18 All Things Praise Thee, Lord Most High



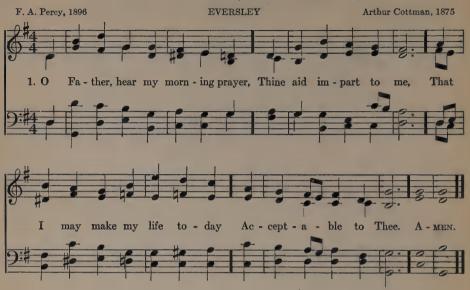
- 4 All things praise Thee: heav'n's high Rings with melody divine; [shrine Lowly bending at Thy feet, Seraph and archangel meet; This their highest bliss—to be Ever praising: Lord, may we.
- 5 All things praise Thee: gracious Lord, Great Creator, powerful Word, Omnipresent Spirit, now At Thy feet we humbly bow; Lift our hearts in praise to Thee; All things praise Thee: Lord, may we.

When Light Is in the Morning Sky 19

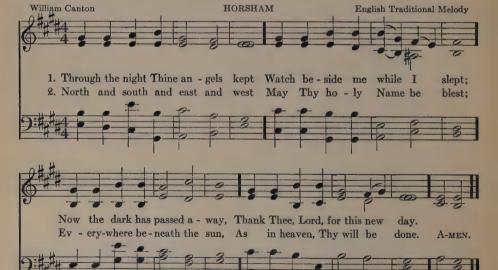


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20 O Father, Hear My Morning Prayer



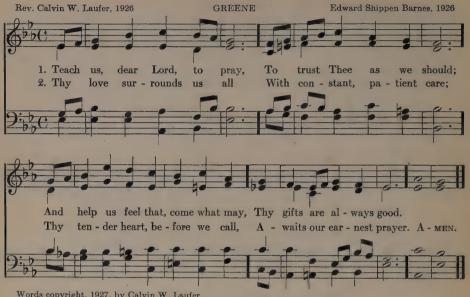
21 Through the Night Thine Angels Kept



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24 Teach Us, Dear Lord, to Pray

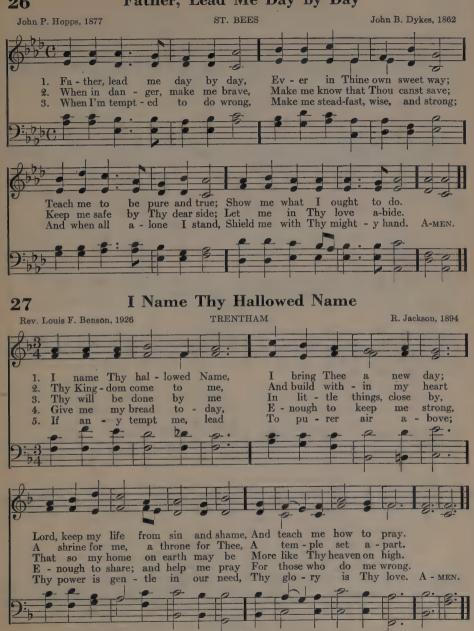


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25 He Prayeth Best Who Loveth Best



Father, Lead Me Day by Day

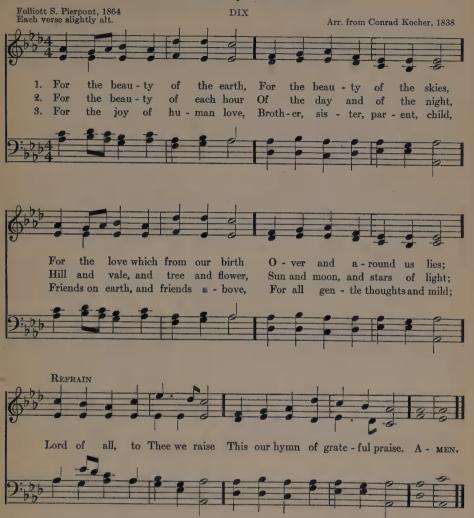


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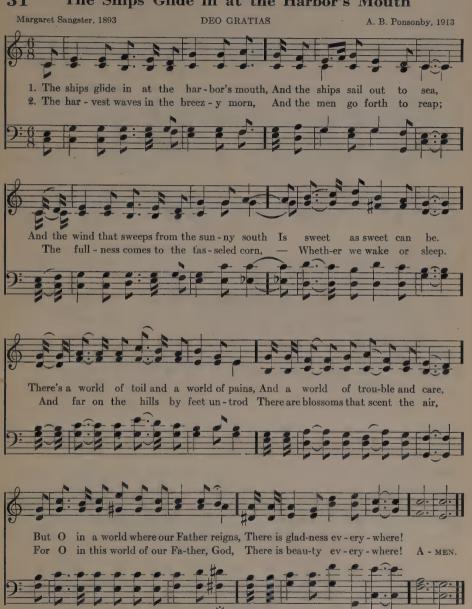
For the Beauty of the Earth



4 For each perfect gift of Thine
To our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven;
Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

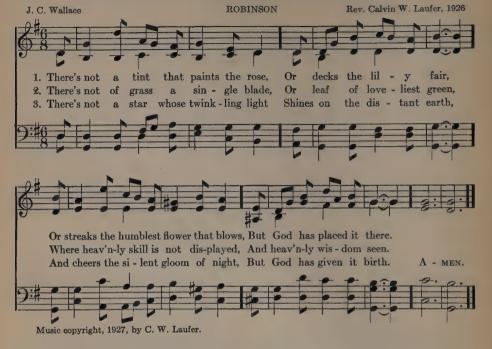
All Things Bright and Beautiful 30 W. R. Waghorne, 1906 Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848 GREYSTONE Verse 1, and Refrain after Verses 2 and 3 All crea - tures great and 1. All things bright and beau - ti - ful, All things wise and won - der - ful, The Lord God made them all. A - MEN. Each lit - tle bird that sings, flower that o - pens, 2. Each lit - tle And lips that we might tell them, to see 3. He gave us eyes He made their ti - ny He made their glow - ing col ors, made all things well. Who has Al - might -How great is God у,

31 The Ships Glide in at the Harbor's Mouth



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There's Not a Tint That Paints the Rose



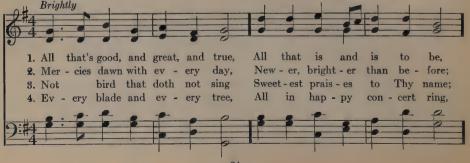
4 There's not a place on earth's vast round,
In ocean deep, or air,
Where skill and wisdom are not found,
For God is everywhere.

Godfrey Thring

Around, beneath, below, above
 As far as space extends,
 There He displays His boundless love,
 And power with mercy blends,

French Melody (Adapted by R. Redhead)

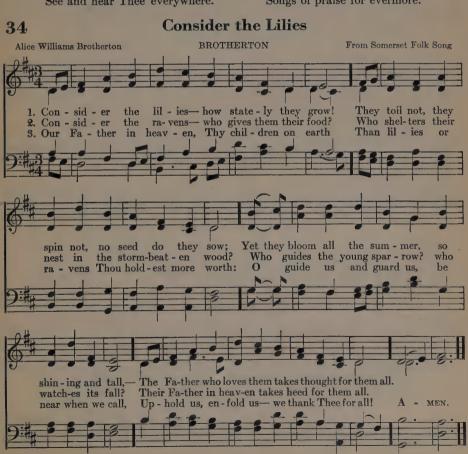
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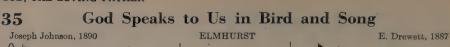


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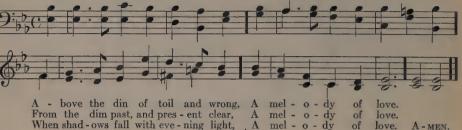


- 5 Fill us, then, with love divine;
 Grant that we, though toiling here,
 May in spirit, being Thine,
 See and hear Thee everywhere.
- 6 May we all, with songs of praise, Whilst on earth Thy name adore, Till with angel choirs we raise Songs of praise for evermore.

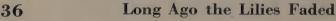




- 1. God speaks to us in bird and song; In winds that drift the clouds a long;
- 2. God speaks to us in far and near; In peace of home and friends most dear;
 3. God speaks to us in dark est night; By qui et ways thro'morn-ings bright,



- 4 God speaks to us in every land,
 On wave-lapped shore and silent strand;
 By kiss of child, and touch of hand,
 A melody of love.
- 5 O Voice divine, speak Thou to me! Beyond the earth, beyond the sea; First let me hear, then sing to Thee A melody of love.





- 2. In the fields, and in the val-leys, By the streams we love so well,
- 3. Long a go in sa cred si lence Died the ac cents of His prayer;
- 4. Let us seek Him, still be liev ing He that work eth round us yet,



But the love that bade them blos-som Still is work-ing ev-ery-where.

There is great-er glo-ry bloom-ing Than the tongue of man can tell.

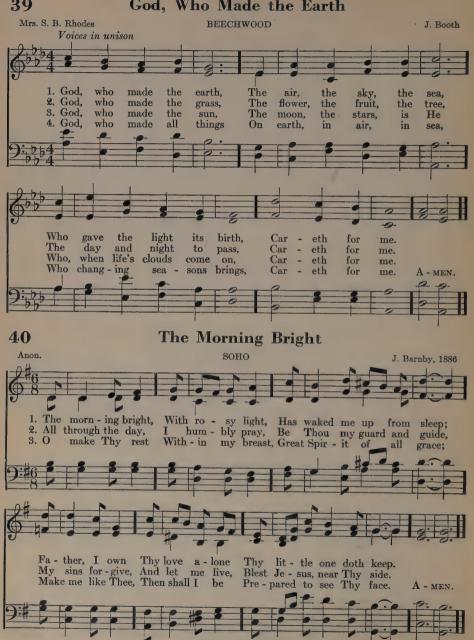
Still the souls that seek the Fa-ther Find His pres-ence ev-ery-where.

Cloth-ing lil-ies in the mead-ows, Will His chil-dren ne'er for-get. A-MEN.

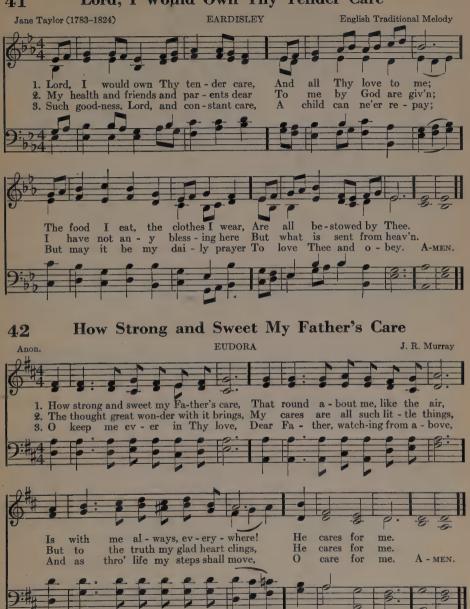


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God, Who Made the Earth

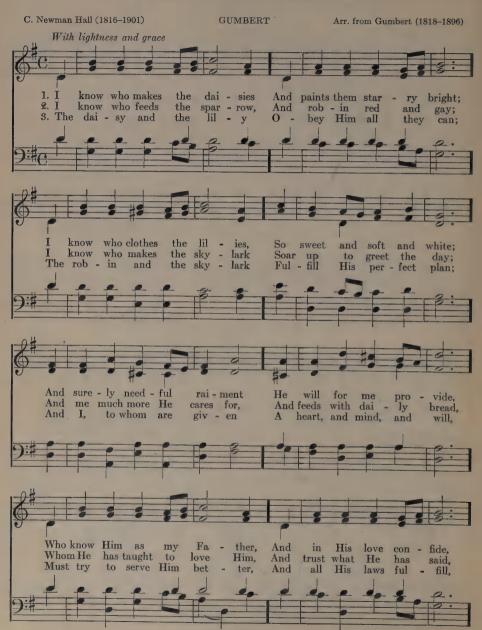


41 Lord, I Would Own Thy Tender Care



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43 I Know Who Makes the Daisies

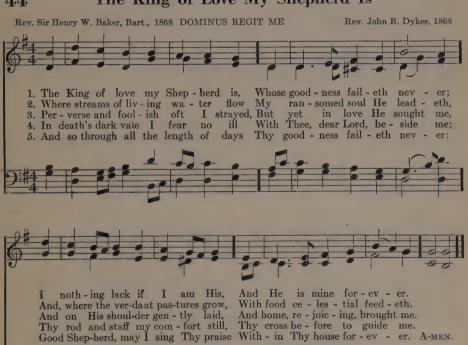


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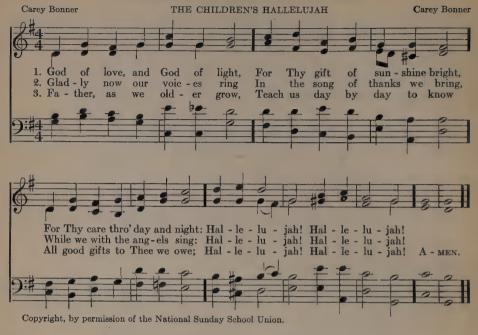


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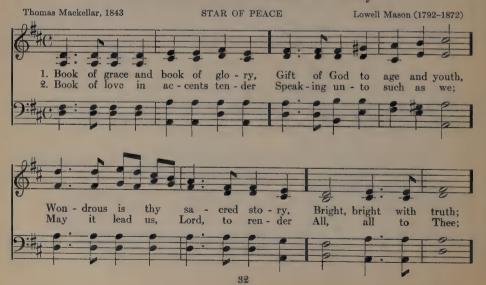
44 The King of Love My Shepherd Is



45 God of Love, and God of Light



46 Book of Grace and Book of Glory



Book of Grace and Book of Glory

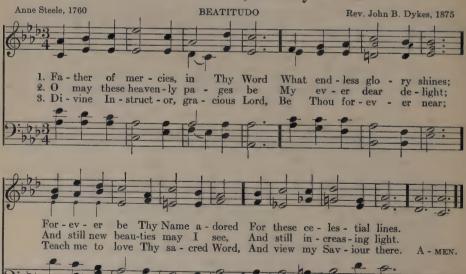


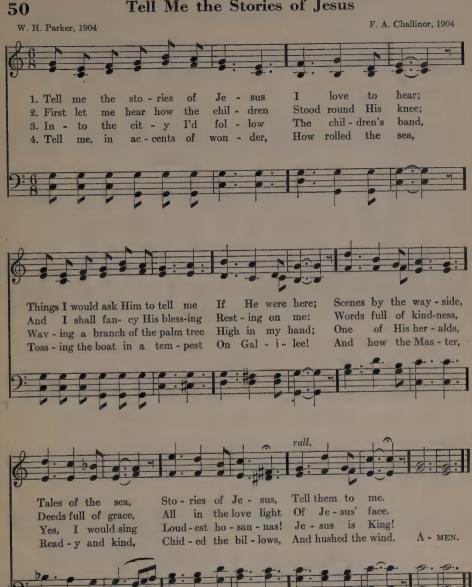


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Lord, Thy Word Abideth

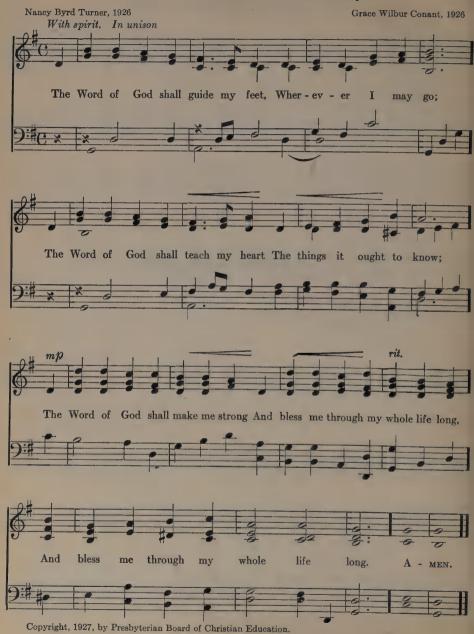




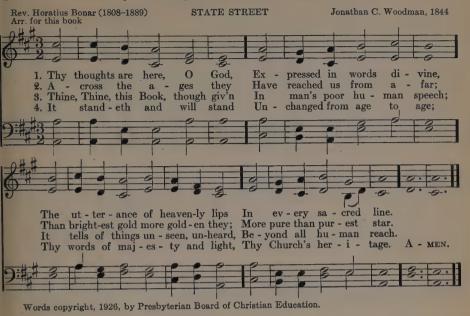


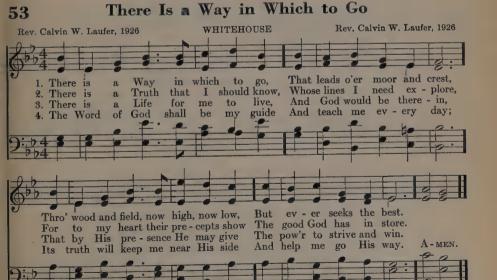
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51 The Word of God Shall Guide My Feet

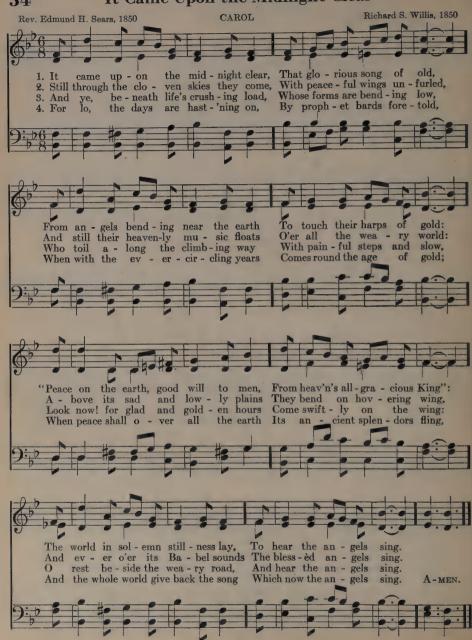


Thy Thoughts Are Here, O God





54 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear



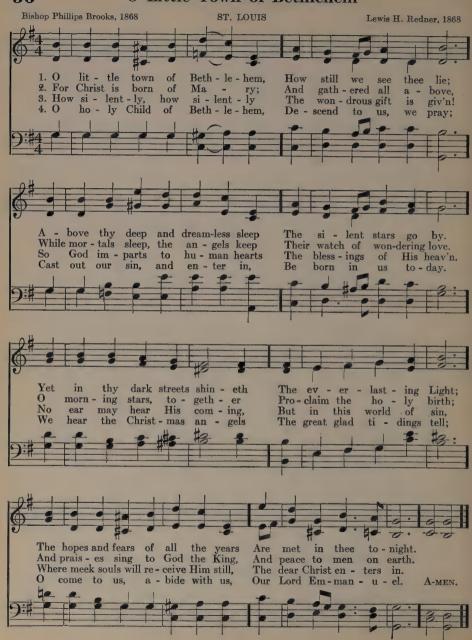
There's a Song in the Air



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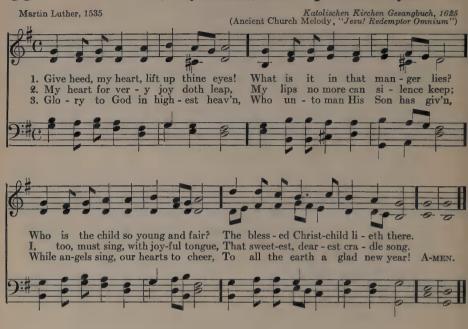
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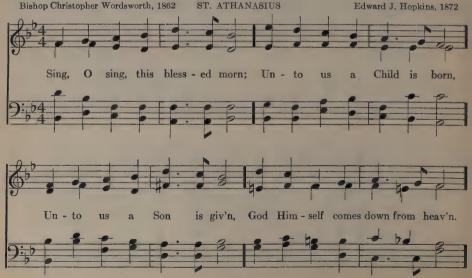
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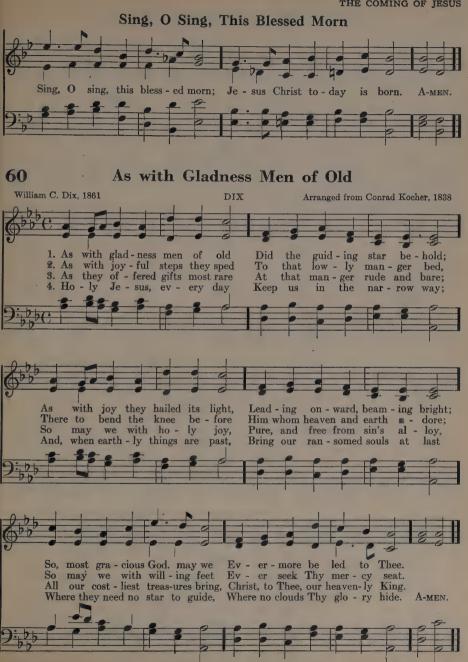


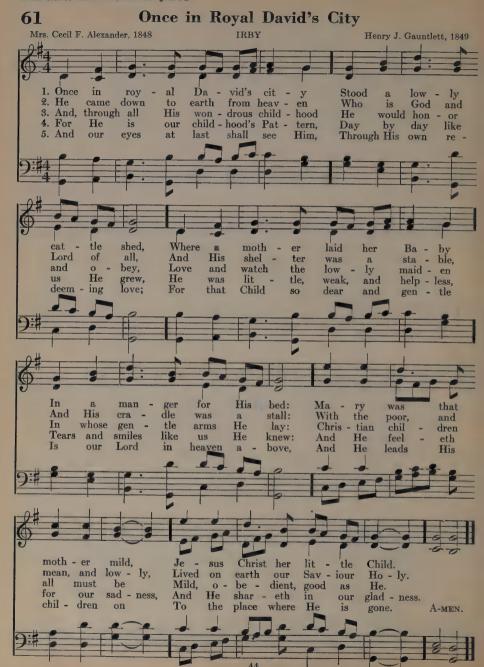
Give Heed, My Heart, Lift Up Thine Eyes



59 Sing, O Sing, This Blessed Morn

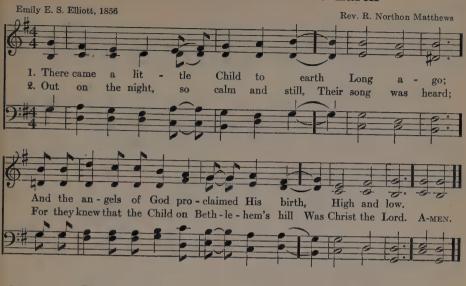




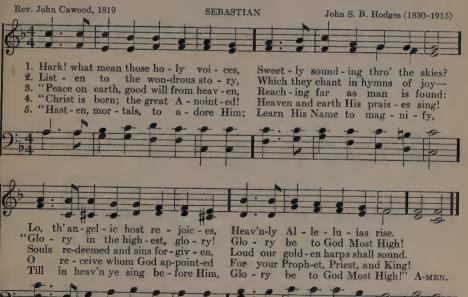


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There Came a Little Child to Earth



63 Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices



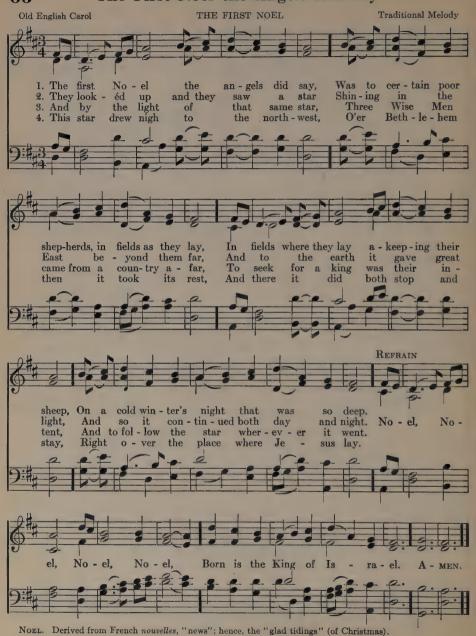
What Child Is This



Silent Night! Holy Night!

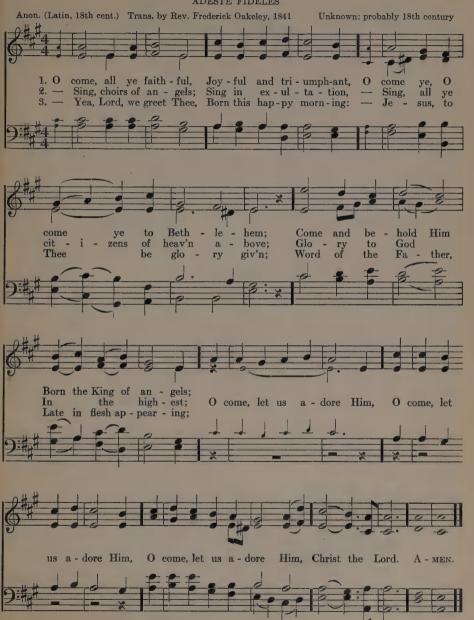


The First Noel the Angels Did Say



O Come, All Ye Faithful

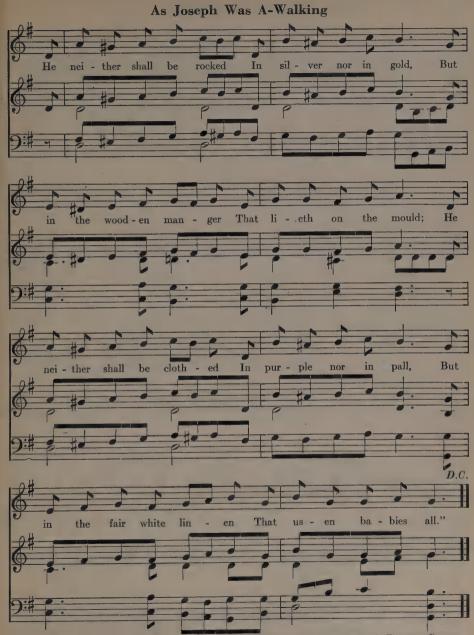
ADESTE FIDELES



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As Joseph Was A-Walking





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69 We Three Kings of Orient Are Rev. John H. Hopkins, 1862 KINGS OF ORIENT Rev. John H. Hopkins, 1862 Unison 1. We three kings of O-ri-ent are; Bear - ing gifts we trav-erse a - far 2. Born a king on Beth-le-hem's plain, Gold I bring to crown Him a - gain; 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; In - cense owns a de - i - ty nigh; 4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a life gath-er-ing gloom: of 5. Glo - rious now be - hold Him a - rise, King and God and Sac - ri - fice; Field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, Fol-low-ing yon -King for - ev - er, Prayer and prais - ing ceas - ing nev - er O - ver us all all men rais - ing, Wor-ship Him, God Sor-row-ing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, Sealed in the stone - cold tomb. Al - le - lu - ia. al - le - lu Earth to heav'n re - plies. REFRAIN of won - der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright, star West-ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to thy per - fect Light. A - MEN.

Gather Around the Christmas Tree

A CHRISTMAS TREE SONG



Thy part is done.

And thy gifts are gone, And thy lights are dying one by one: For earthly pleasures die to-day,

But heav'nly joys shall last alway. Hosanna, etc.

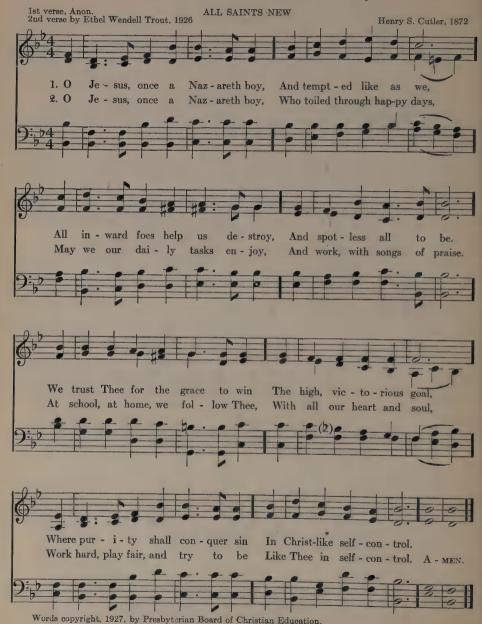
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5 ||: Farewell to thee, O Christmas tree! :||

Twelve months o'er. We shall meet once more, Merry welcome singing, as of yore; For Christ now reigns, our Saviour dear, And gives us Christmas every year!

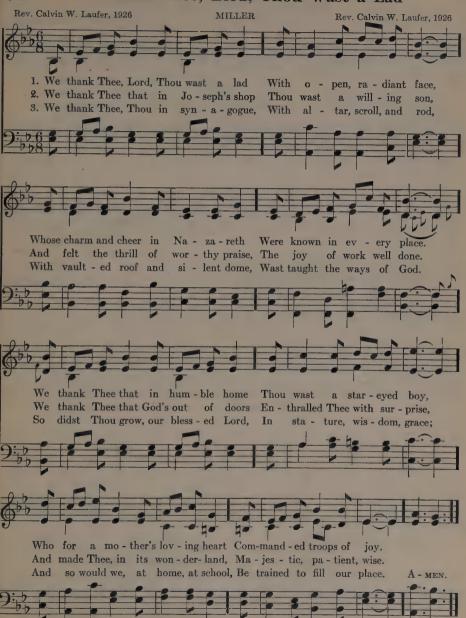
Hosanna, etc.

71 O Jesus, Once Nazareth Boy



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72 We Thank Thee, Lord, Thou Wast a Lad



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73 The Friendly Hills of Galilee



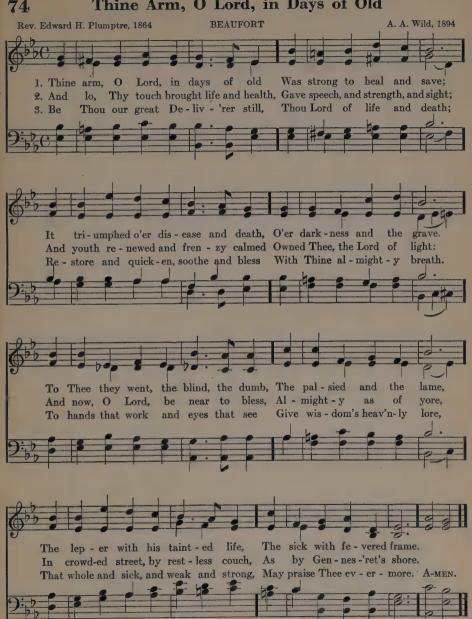
3 Among the lads of Nazareth
None seemed so free from care;
And yet He had His thoughtful hours;
He roamed the fields and loved the flowers,
And saw God's glory there.

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4 The Father's business claimed His life, Enthralled His inmost soul.

The cross which loomed on distant hill
He visioned with a solemn thrill,
And saw the final goal.

Thine Arm, O Lord, in Days of Old



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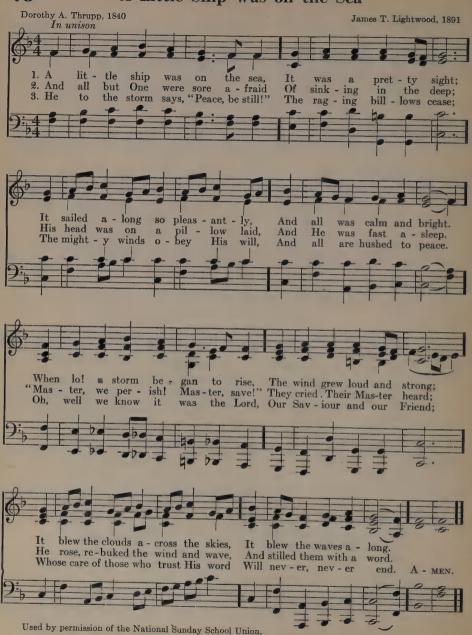
75 Our Jesus Went Oft Through the Meadows

Julia H. Boynton, 1891; alt. MEADOWS Grace Wilbur Conant, 1913 1. Our Je - sus went oft through the mead-ows Where flow - ers pressed His feet; 2. Our Je - sus went oft to the lake - side And stood by the wa - ters still; 3. Lord Christ, as we think of the beau - ty Thy won-drous life Of all And oft - en He turned to the far blue sky His face so grave and sweet, And oft - en He wist - ful - ly looked a - cross To shore and dis - tant hill. In the fields, on the hills, by the lake - side, Or mid the cit - y's strife, While all the day long He was think - ing With ten - der, ten - der While all the day long He was think - ing We thank Thee that thou hast youch-safed us With ten - der, ten - der love. Such ten - der, ten - der love: Of hearts He would bring to that oth-er life In God's dear home a - bove. Of hearts He would bring to that oth-er life In God's dear home a - bove. We bring Thee the homage of grateful hearts, We seek that home a - bove. A - MEN.

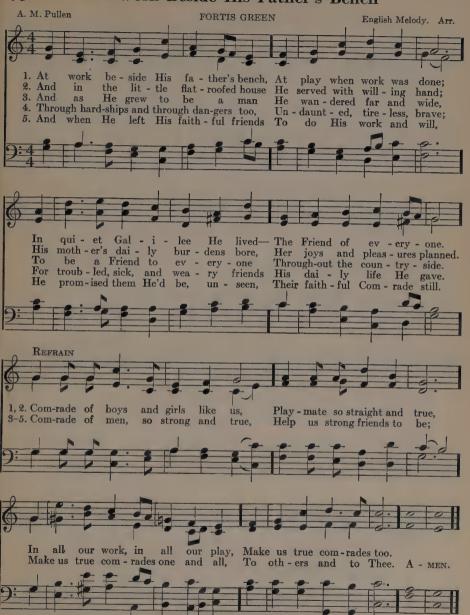


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78 A Little Ship Was on the Sea



At Work Beside His Father's Bench

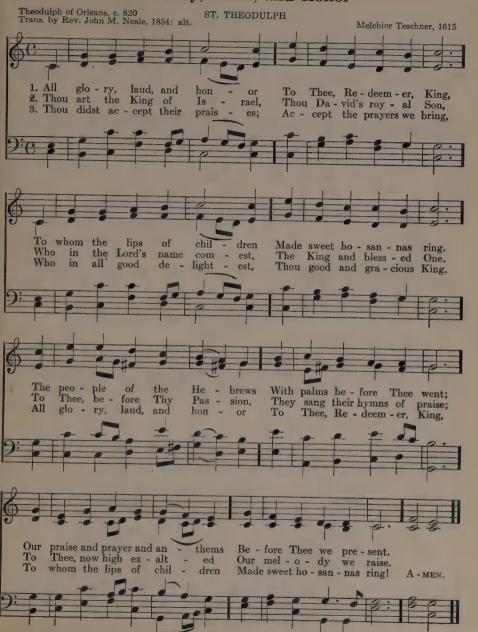


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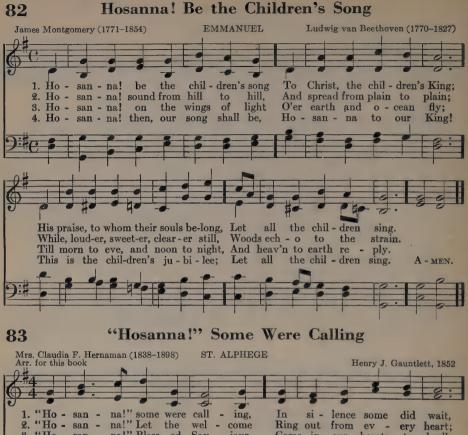
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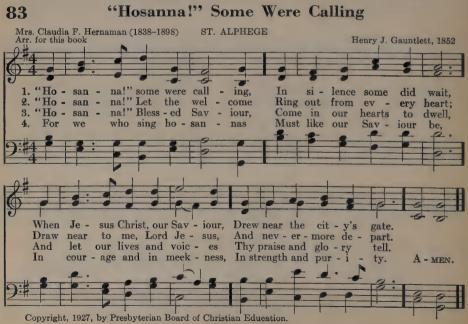


All Glory, Laud, and Honor

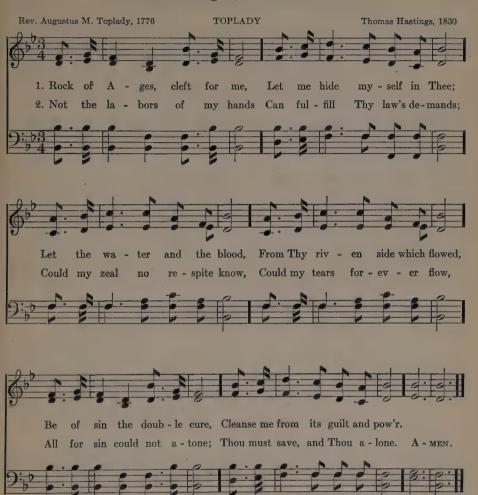


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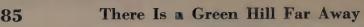


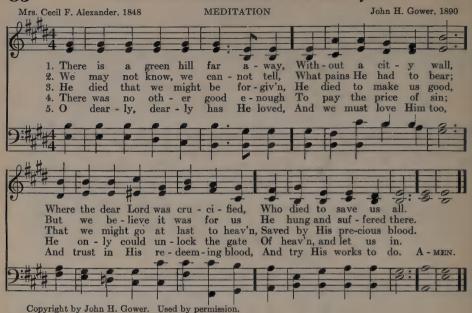


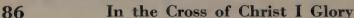
Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

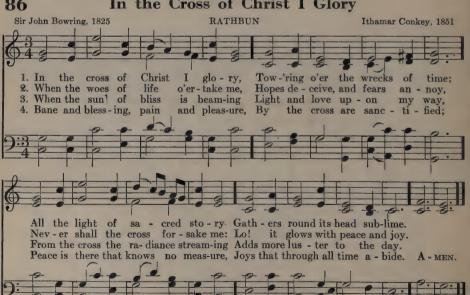


3 Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling; Naked, come to Thee for dress, Helpless, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

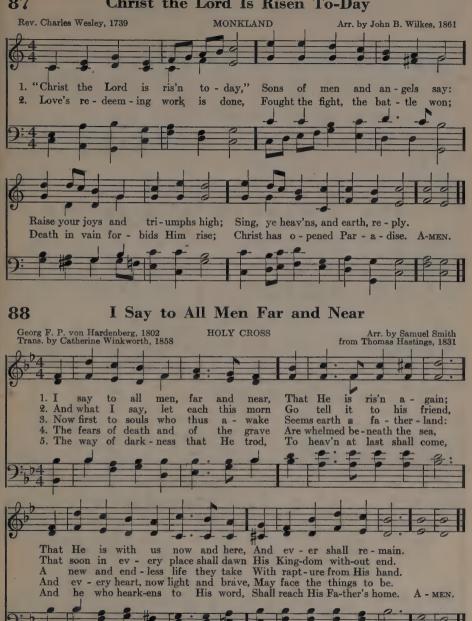








Christ the Lord Is Risen To-Day



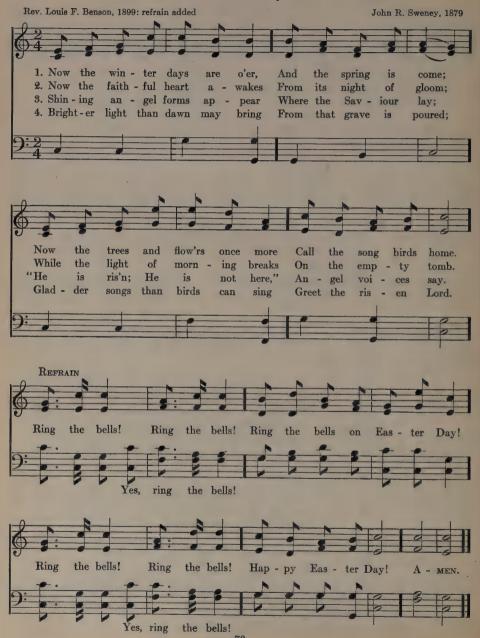


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90 Sweet and Clear the Birds Are Singing

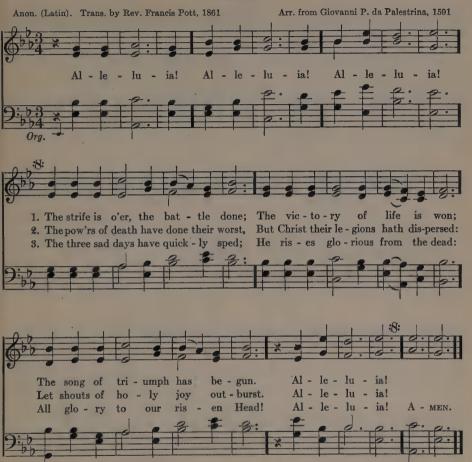


91 Now the Winter Days Are O'er



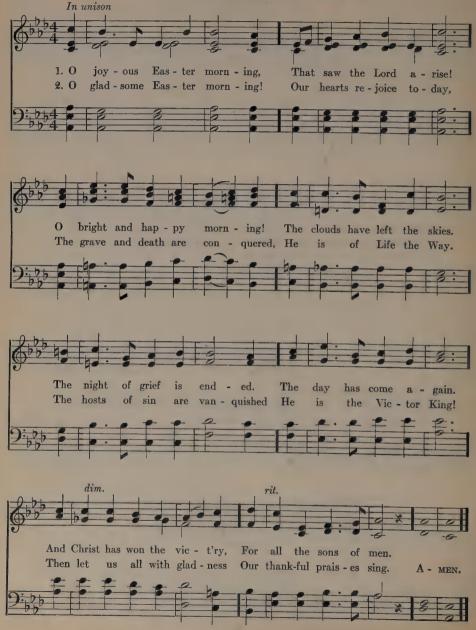
The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

PALESTRINA



- 4 He closed the yawning gates of hell;
 The bars from heav'n's high portals fell:
 Let hymns of praise His triumphs tell.
 Alleluia!
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free, That we may live and sing to Thee, Alleluia!

93 O Joyous Easter Morning



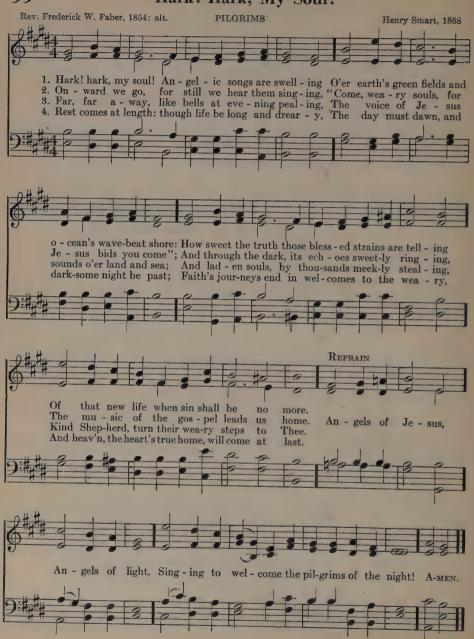
Immortal Love, Forever Full





The Beautiful Bright Sunshine 98 G. E. Oliver SUNSHINE Anon. bright sun - shine, That smiles on all be - low. 1. The beau - ti - ful That gath - er round our way, 2. The beau - ti - ful af - fec - tions And ten - der is the love. the shin - ing, 3. But bright - er is The rip - pling streams that flow, the cool, soft breeze, The way - ing trees. And deep - en day by day; from house-hold ties, The joys that rise The un - seen home a - bovethe joys which fill still And pur - er The man - y - tint - ed flow'rs. the hill - sides, shad - ows on When - ev - er dan - ger low'rs. that guards us ten - der love The Shall sing with full - er pow'rs, His chil - dren home where all The God, how fair Thy lov - ing care Has made this earth of ours! O God, how fair Thy lov - ing care Has made this earth of ours! "O God, how fair Thy lov - ing care Has made this heav'n of ours!" A - MEN.

Hark! Hark, My Soul!



Now in the Days of Youth





Hushed Was the Evening Hymn



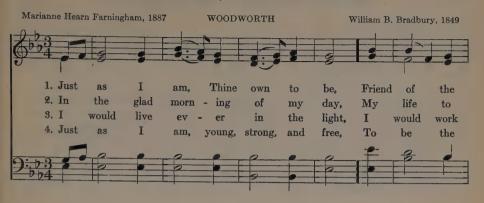
- 4 O give me Samuel's heart,
 A lowly heart, that waits
 Where in Thy house Thou art,
 Or watches at Thy gates;
 By day and night, a heart that still
 Moves at the breathing of Thy will.
- 5 O give me Samuel's mind,
 A sweet unmurmuring faith,
 Obedient and resigned
 To Thee in life and death,
 That I may read with childlike eyes
 Truths that are hidden from the wise.

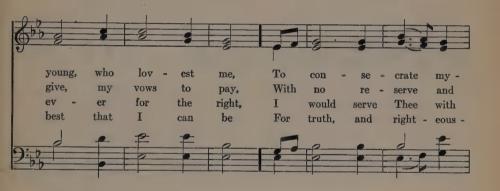
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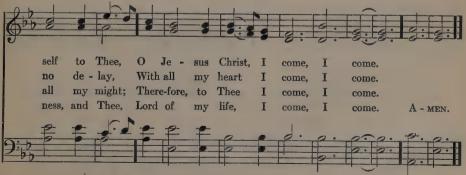


3 Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee, too, as love knows how
By kindly words and virtuous life:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Just as I Am, Thine Own to Be

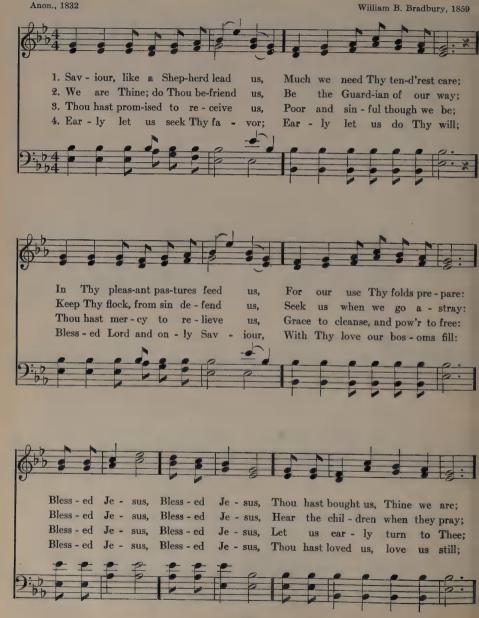






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105 Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us



Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

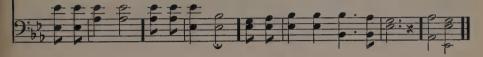


Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless-ed Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless-ed Je - sus, Hear the chil-dren when they pray.

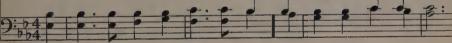
Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless-ed Je - sus, Let us ear - ly turn to Thee.

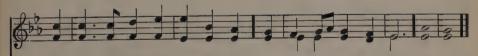
Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless-ed Je - sus, Thou hast loved us, love us still. A - MEN.



106 Dear Lord, We Give Our Youth to Thee





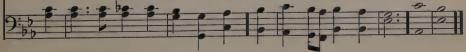


And pray our hearts may loy - al be To love Thee best of all.

To dare the right, to seek the true, To com-fort those in need.

That this fair earth, like heav'n m - bove, May with Thy peace a - bound.

But we are Thine with heart and hand, To serve Thee ev - er - more. A - MEN.



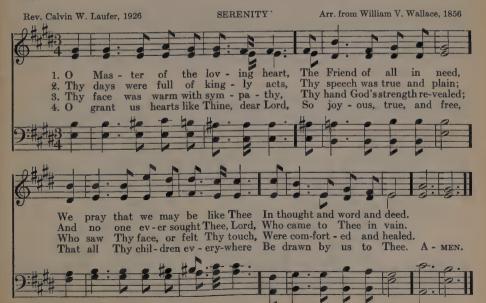
107 I've Found a Friend; O Such a Friend



108 O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life



109 O Master of the Loving Heart



110 We Thank Thee, Lord, Thy Boundless Love

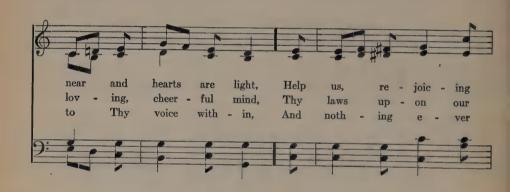


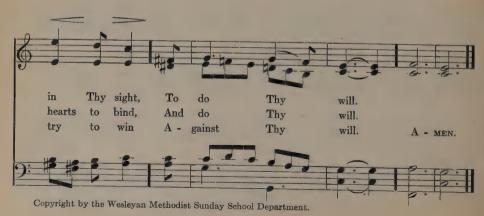
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112 In Sunny Days, When All Is Bright







Here a Little, There a Little



114 Saviour, Teach Me, Day by Day

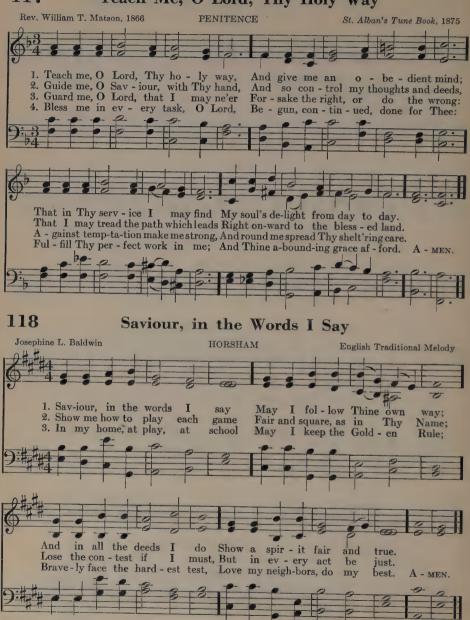


116 The Wise May Bring Their Learning



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117 Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Holy Way



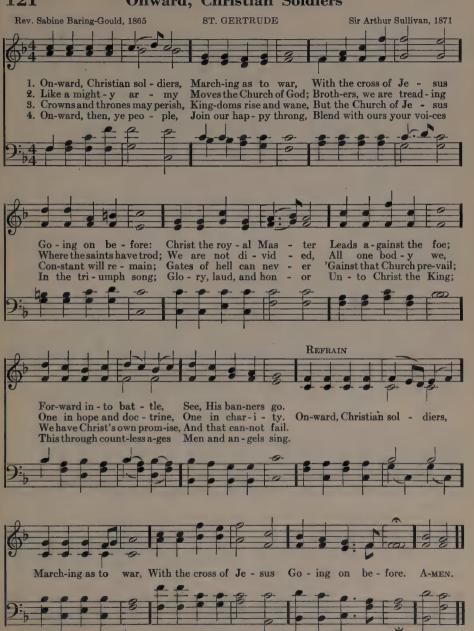
I Would Be True



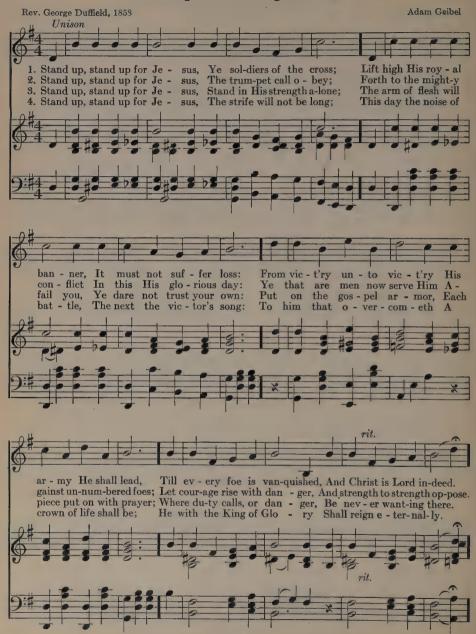
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Dare to Be Brave, Dare to Be True 120 Duncan Hume W. J. Rooper Strive for the right, for the 1. Dare be brave. dare to true. God is your Fa - ther, He 2. Dare be brave. dare to be true. to God grant vou cour - age to 3. Dare be brave. dare be true. to to Fight with sin brave - ly, fight is you; and be o'er you; knows your tri - als; when your heart quails, you through; Try to help oth - ers, kind. Christ is your Cap-tain, fear on - ly what's wrong. Him to res - cue, His grace nev - er fails. Fight then, good sol - diers, all the err - ing a friend in you find. fight and be brave, Christ is your Cap - tain, migh - ty to save.

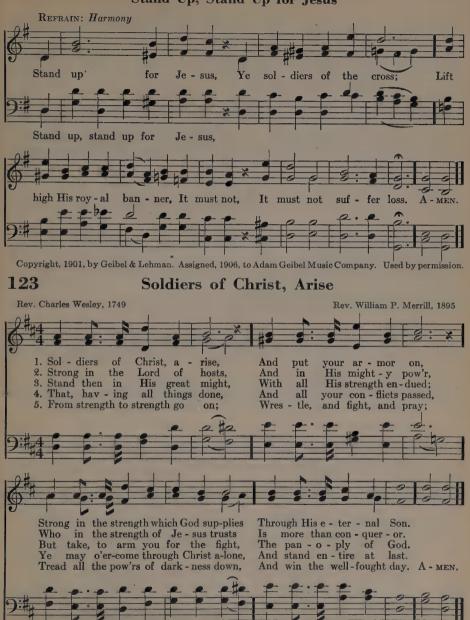
Onward, Christian Soldiers



122 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

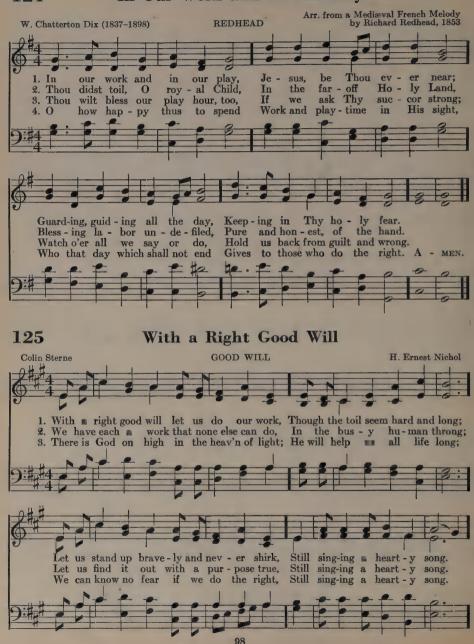


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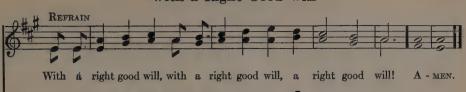


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124 In Our Work and in Our Play



With a Right Good Will

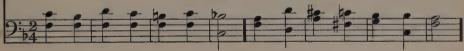


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126 Take My Life, and Let It Be



- 1. Take my life, and let it be Con se cra ted, Lord, to Thee.
- 2. Take my hands, and let them move At the im pulse of Thy love.
- 3. Take my voice, and let me sing, Al ways, on ly, for my King.
- 4. Take my sil ver and my gold; Not a mite would I with hold.
- 5. Take my love; my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treas ure store.





Take my mo-ments and my days; Let them flow in cease - less praise.

Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beau-ti-ful for Thee.

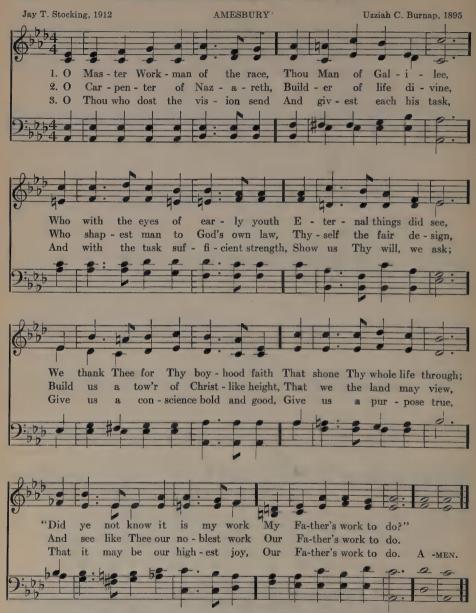
Take my lips, and let them be Filled with mes-sa-ges from Thee.

Take my in - tel - lect, and use Ev - ery pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my - self, and I will be Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee. A-MEN.



O Master Workman of the Race

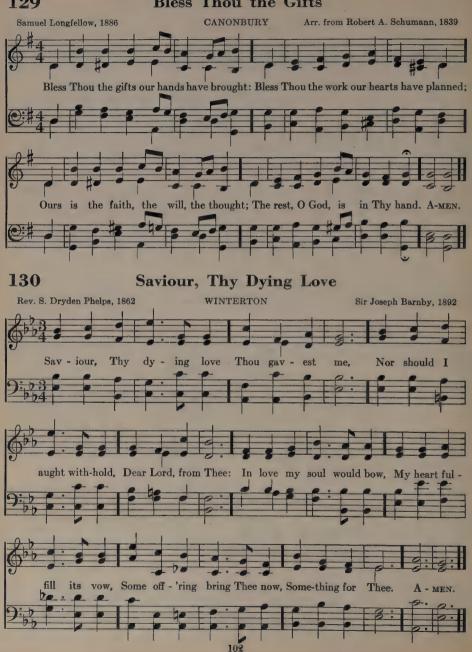


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I Would Not Be Idle



Bless Thou the Gifts

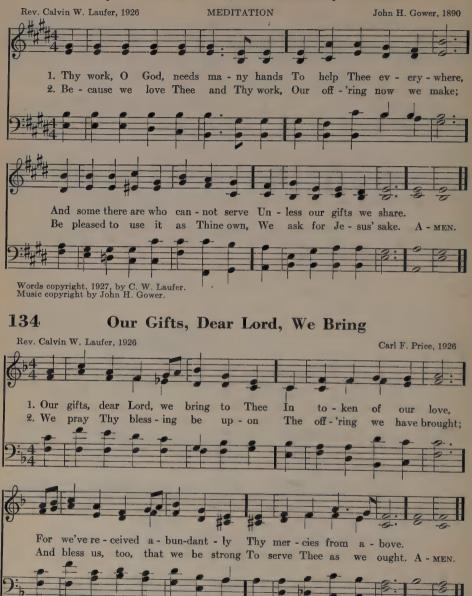


We Give Thee But Thine Own



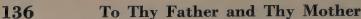
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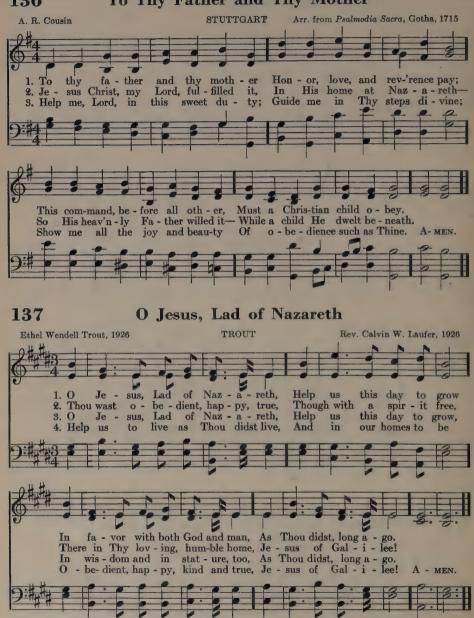
Thy Work, O God, Needs Many Hands



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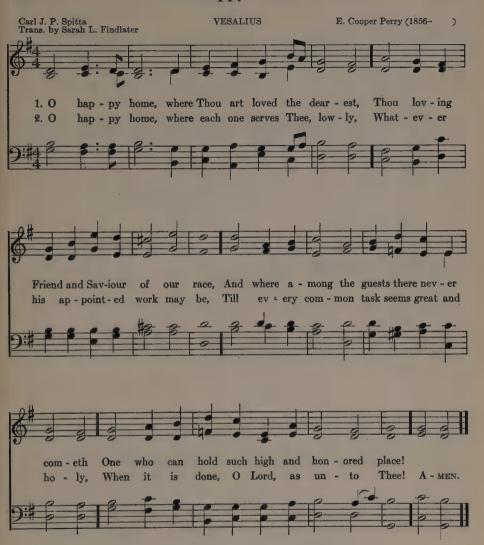






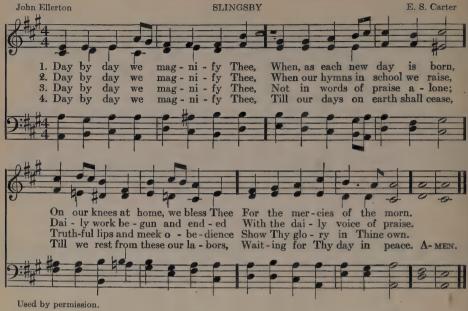
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O Happy Home

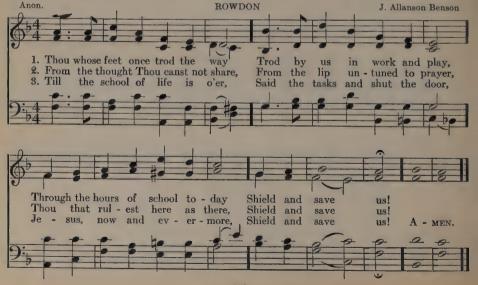


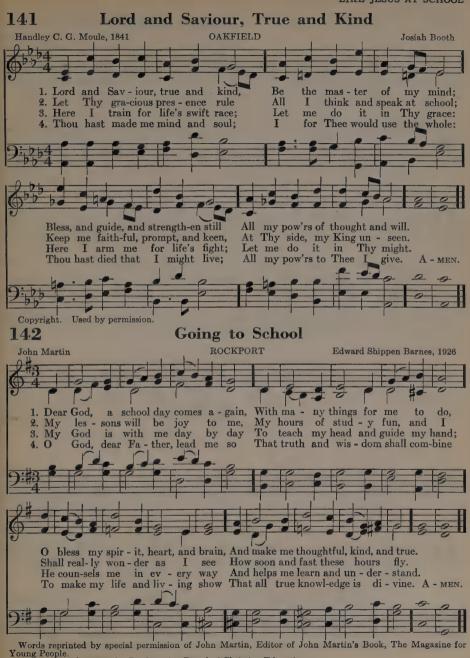
3 O happy home, where Thou art not forgotten,
Where joy is overflowing, full and free,
O happy home, where every wounded spirit
Is brought, Physician, Comforter, to Thee.

Day by Day We Magnify Thee



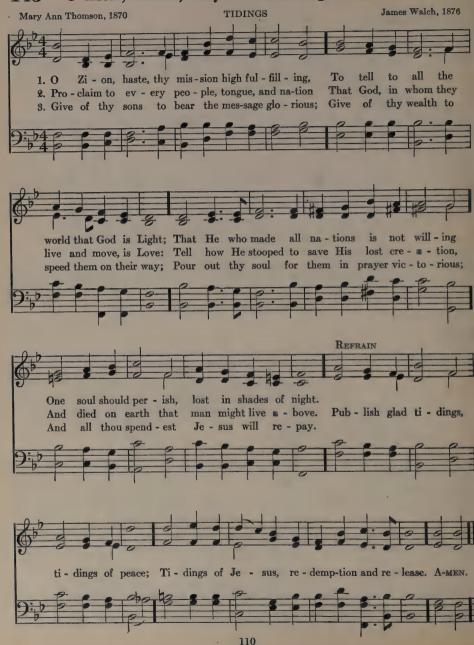
140 Thou Whose Feet Once Trod the Way





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143 O Zion, Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling



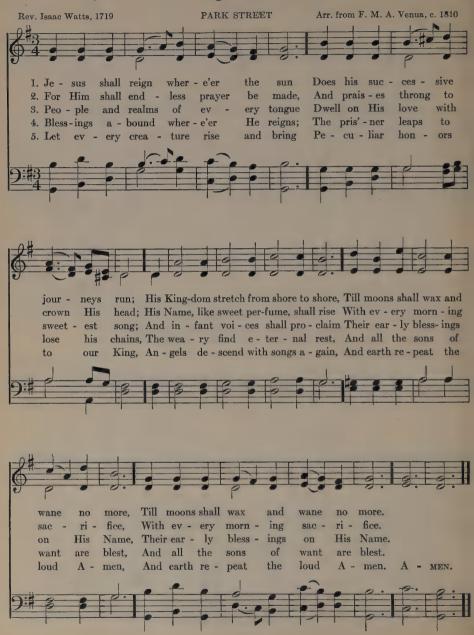
144 Fling Out the Banner! Let It Float



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146 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun



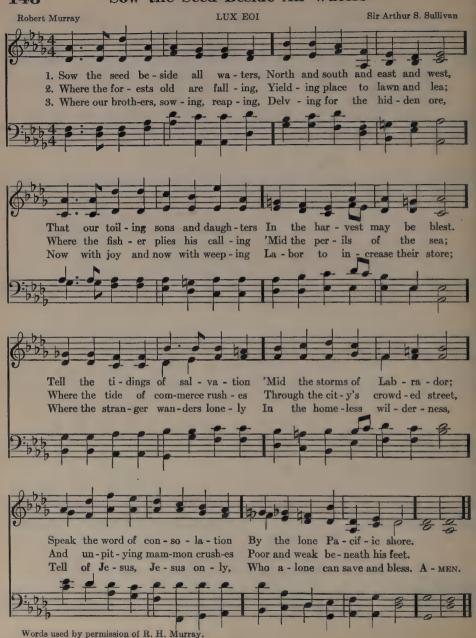
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147 The World, Dear Lord, Is Very Large

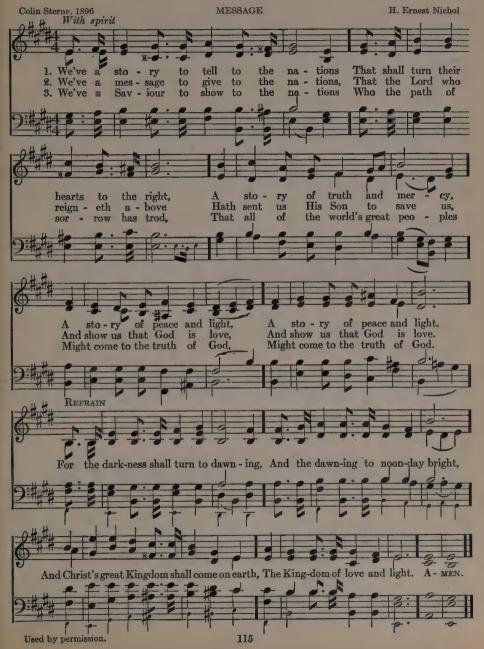


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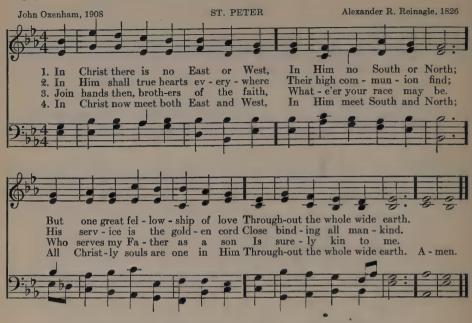
Sow the Seed Beside All Waters



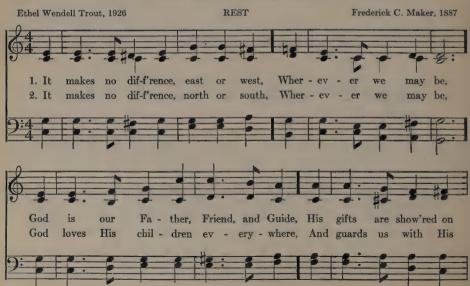
We've a Story to Tell to the Nations



150 In Christ There Is No East or West



151 It Makes No Difference, East or West



It Makes No Difference, East or West



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152 Come, Kingdom of Our God





Shed peace and hope and joy a - broad, And wis - dom from a - bove.

Stretch o'er her lands and isles the rod That flow'rs with grace di - vine.

And in its shade like broth - ers rest, Sons of one fam - i - ly.

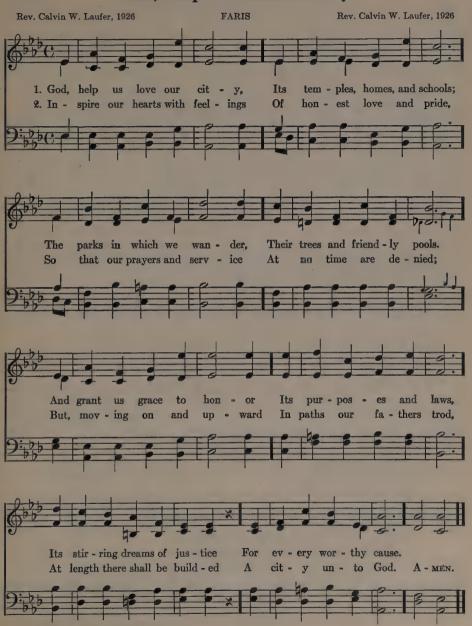
In worlds by the un - dy - ing trod, Where God shall bless His own. A - MEN.



153 The Fathers Built This City

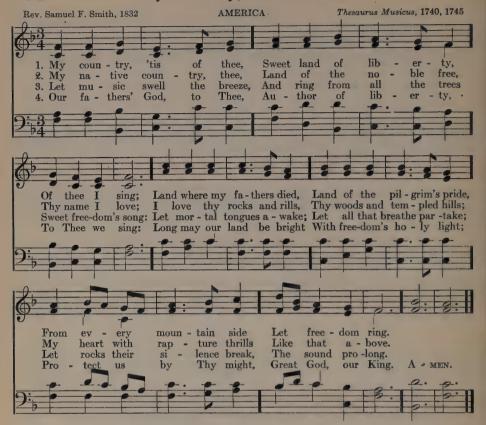


God, Help Us Love Our City



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My Country, 'Tis of Thee



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God Bless Our Native Land

AMERICA

1 God bless our native land;
Firm may she ever stand
Through storm and night:
When the wild tempests rave,
Ruler of wind and wave,
Do Thou our country save
By Thy great might.

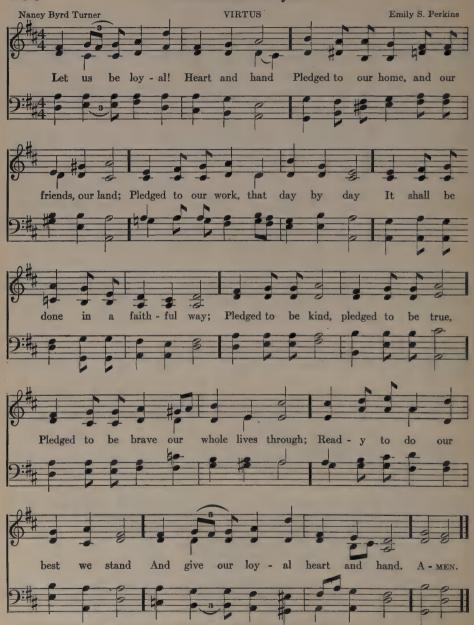
- 2 For her our prayers shall rise To God, above the skies; On Him we wait; Thou who art ever nigh, Guarding with watchful eye, To Thee aloud we cry, God save the state.
- 3 Lord of all truth and right, In whom alone is might, On Thee we call; And may the nations see That men shall brothers be, And form one family; God save us all.

Siegfried A. Mahlmann, 1815 Trans. by Rev. Charles T. Brooks, c. 1833, and Rev. John S. Dwight, 1844

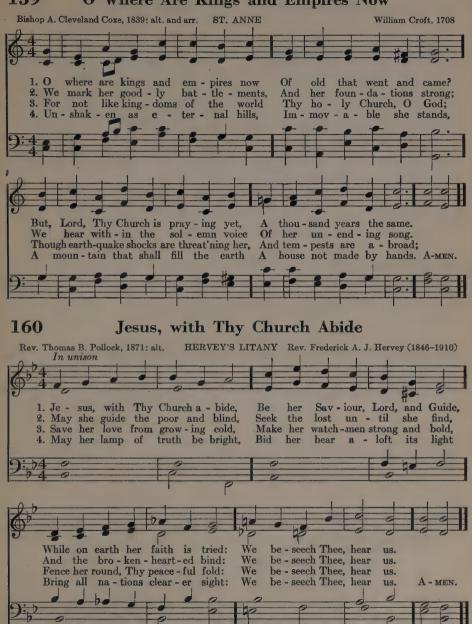
America the Beautiful



Let Us Be Loval



159 O Where Are Kings and Empires Now



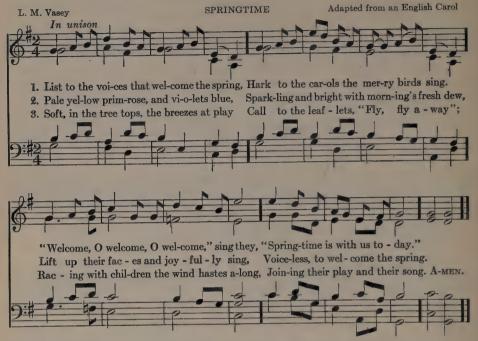
161 The Church's One Foundation



Ring Out the Old, Ring In the New

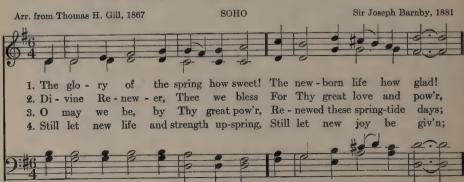


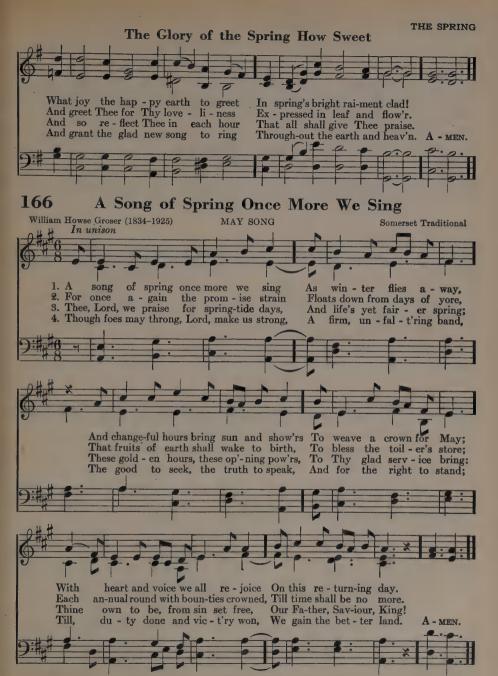
164 List to the Voices That Welcome the Spring



- 4 Sunshine and gladness now brighten the day,
 Chasing the cold, cold winter away;
 Softly the rain, coming down in sweet show'rs,
 Welcomes the birds and the flow'rs.
- 5 God is our Father; He cares for us all; Buds, birds, and blossoms come at His call; Let us, with nature, in springtime rejoice, Praise Him with heart and with voice!

165 The Glory of the Spring How Sweet



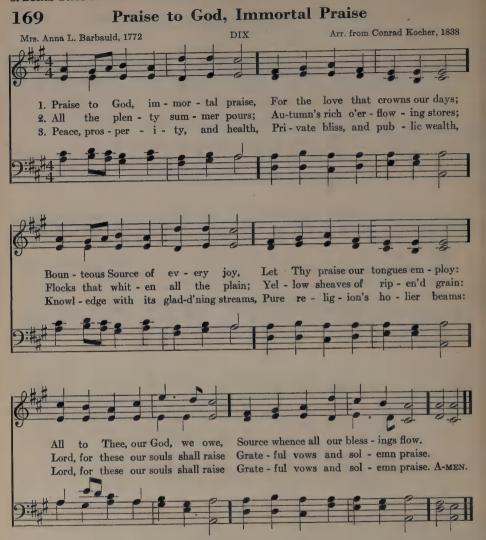


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The Summer Days Are Come Again



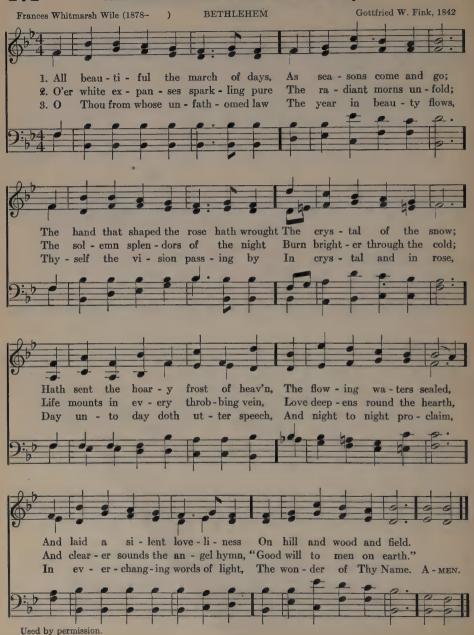


4 As Thy prospering hand hath blest, May we give Thee of our best; And by deeds of kindly love For Thy mercies grateful prove; Singing thus through all our days, Praise to God, immortal praise.

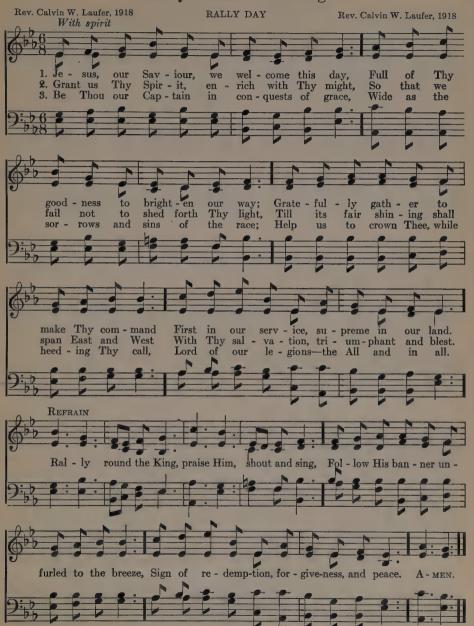
God Passed Along Our Countryside



171 All Beautiful the March of Days



Rally Round the King



SPECIAL DAYS AND SEASONS-CHILDREN'S DAY 'Tis Children's Day 173 CHILDREN'S DAY Mary L. Butler Arthur Kimball From the German Chil - dren's Day: from heart to heart, Let joy, let joy re-1. 'Tis smil - ing hills where state - ly trees Their shade, their cool - ing 2. For coun - try, home, and na - tive land; peace, sweet peace, our grate - ful love To While come with spon - sive ring: here And brooks that course through mead shade ex - pand; For ows green na - tion's crown. For grand lv way - ing stripes and stars Un -While sum - mer flow'rs their in - cense breathe, And praise the chil-dren's King. Than ev - ery hand; For founts of knowl-edge pur - er far glide on scarred by tem - pest's frown; homes made bright by vir - tue's reign For And

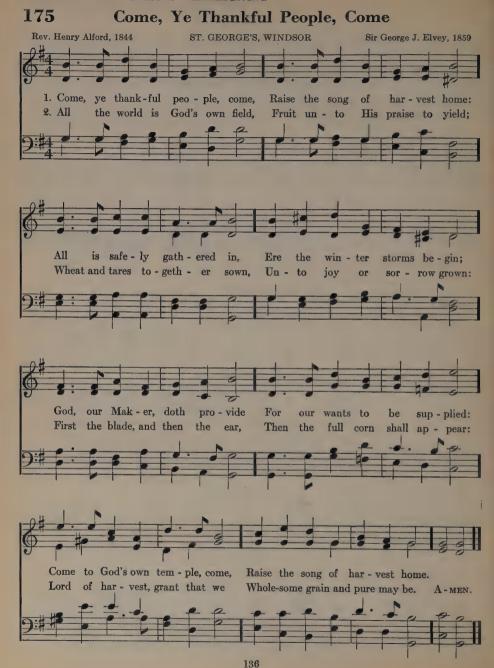


birds with rap - ture sing, We tune our souls to high - er strains And or moun-tain spring; We For wis - dom's light our steps to guide, free - dom's shelt'ring wing; For lib - er - ty's en - cir - cling light, We

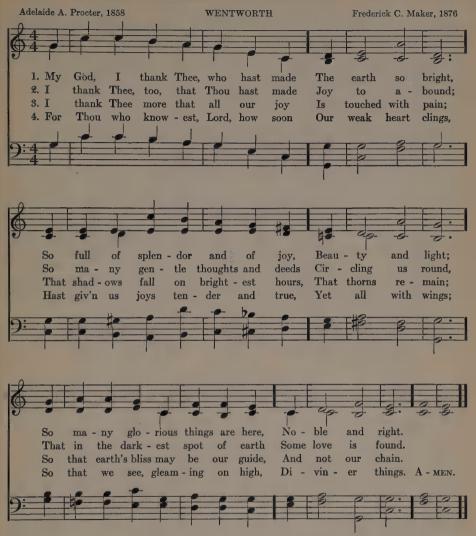
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176 My God, I Thank Thee, Who Hast Made



5 I thank Thee, Lord, that Thou hast kept 6 I thank Thee, Lord, that here our souls, The best in store:

We have enough, yet not too much To long for more:

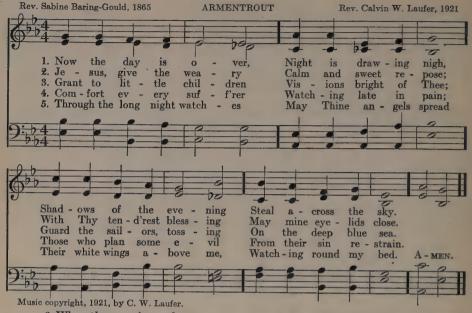
A yearning for a deeper peace Not known before.

Though amply blest,

Can never find, although they seek, A perfect rest;

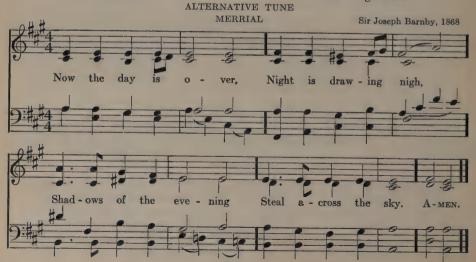
Nor ever shall, until they lean On Jesus' breast.

Now the Day Is Over

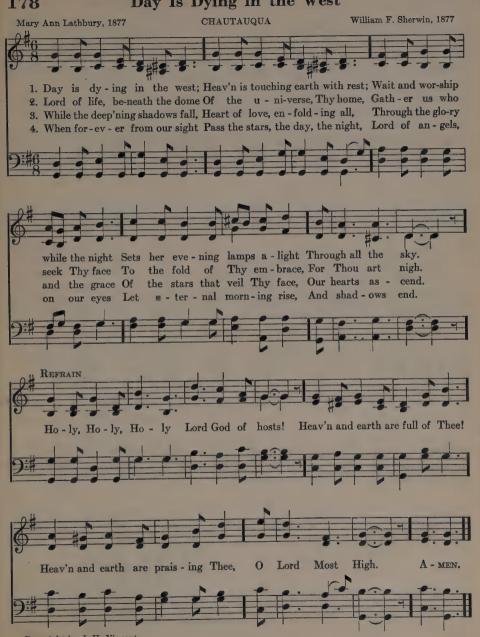


6 When the morning wakens,
Then may I arise
Pure, and fresh, and sinless
In Thy holy eyes.

7 Glory to the Father, Glory to the Son, And to Thee, blest Spirit, Whilst all ages run.

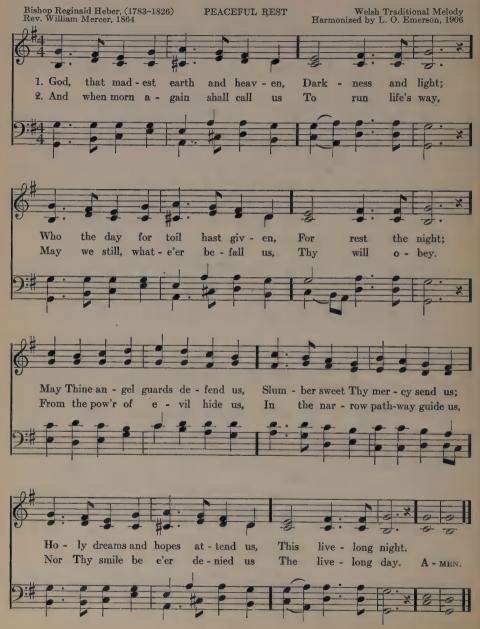


Day Is Dying in the West



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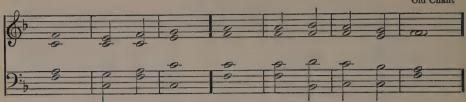
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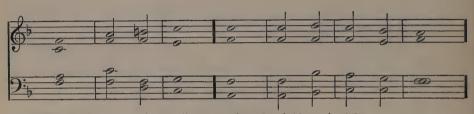


Gloria in Excelsis

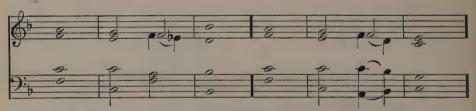
Old Chant



Glory be to | God on | high || and on earth | peace, good | will towards | men.
We praise Thee * we bless Thee * we | worship | Thee || we glorify Thee * we give
thanks to | Thee for | Thy great | glory.



- O Lord God | heavenly | King | God the | Father | Al = | mighty.
- O Lord * the only-begotten Son | Jesus | Christ || O Lord God * Lamb of God * | Son = | of the | Father,



That takest away the | sins of the | world || have mercy up | on = | us.

Thou that takest away the | sins of the | world | re | ceive our | prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of | God the | Father || have mercy up | on ' = | us.



For Thou only | art ' = | holy || Thou | only | art the | Lord.

Thou only, O Christ * with the | Holy | Ghost || art most high in the | glory of |
God the | Father || A | men.





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Kyrie Eleison



191 Seek Ye the Lord While He May Be Found

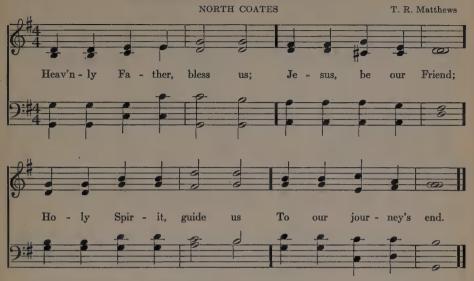


This is the day which the Lord hath made; We will re-joice and be glad in





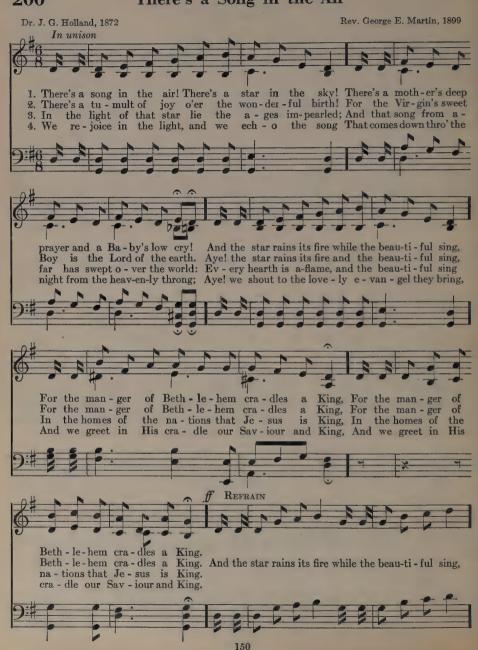
Heavenly Father, Bless Us



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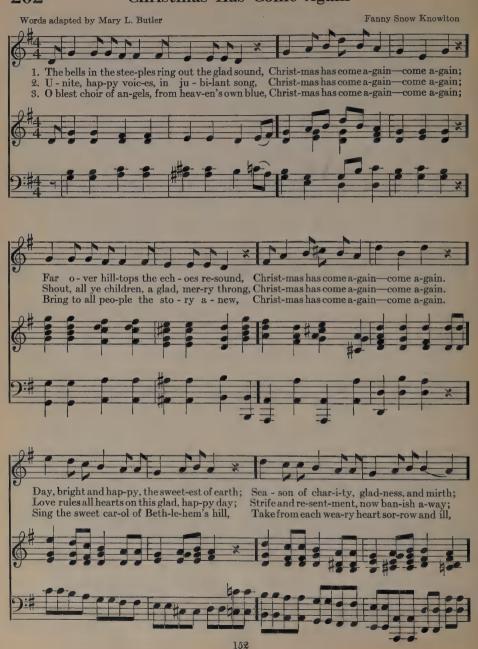


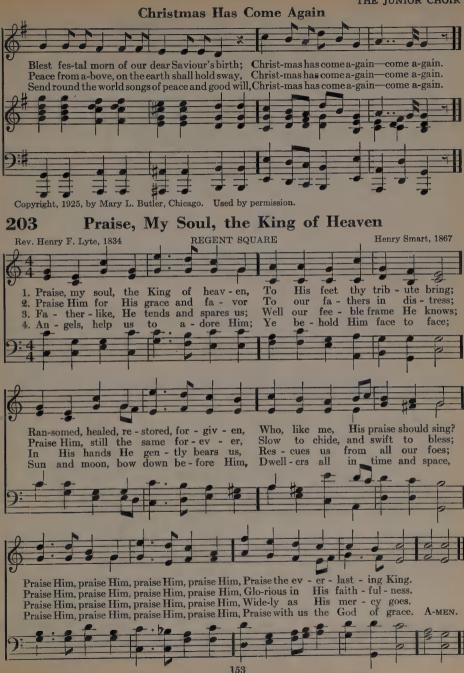
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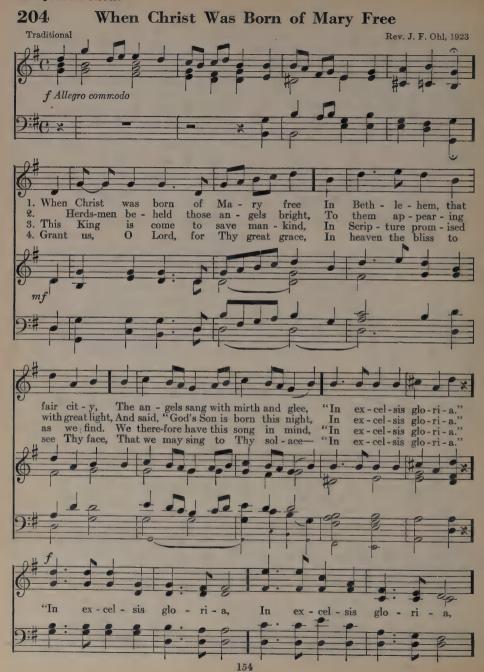


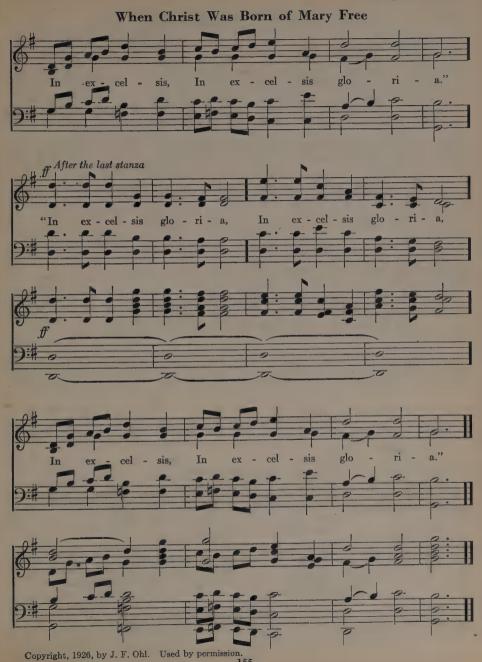


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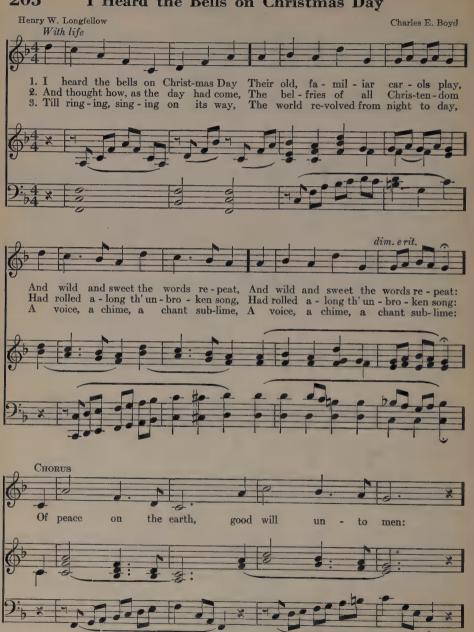








205 I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day



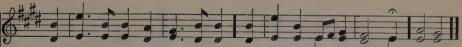
I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day



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Chorus of children

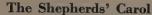


'Tis Christ-mas Day! 'Tis Christ-mas Day! And Christ-mas hearts are hum-ble.
When Christ was born on Christ-mas morn, They laid Him in a man-ger.
O come and see our Christ-mas tree And Christ-mas can-dles burn-ing.
From far a - way, on Christ-mas Day, May hear God's trumpets blow-ing. A-MEN.

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The Shepherds' Carol

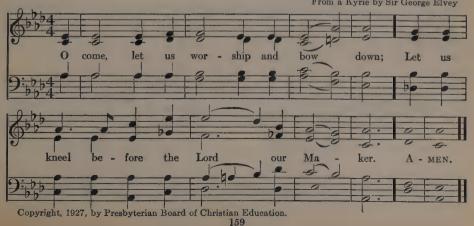




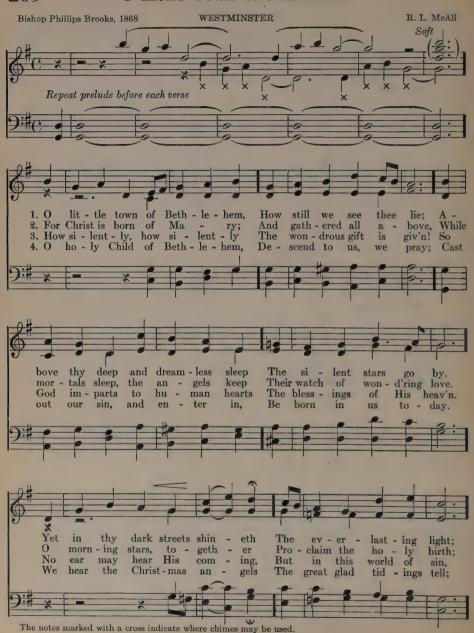


O Come, Let Us Worship

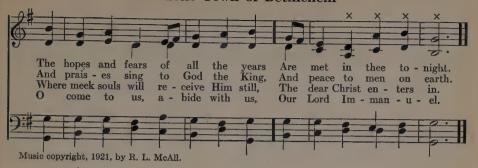
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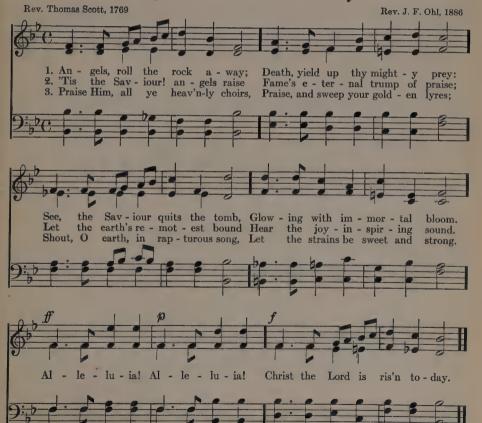
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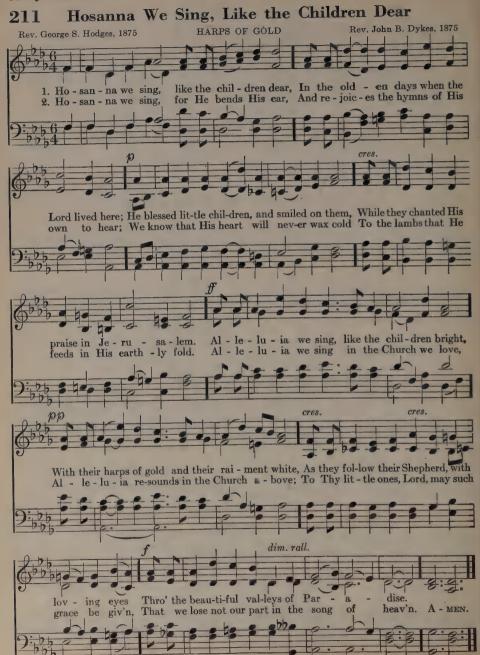


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O How Shall I Receive Thee



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Come, Happy Children



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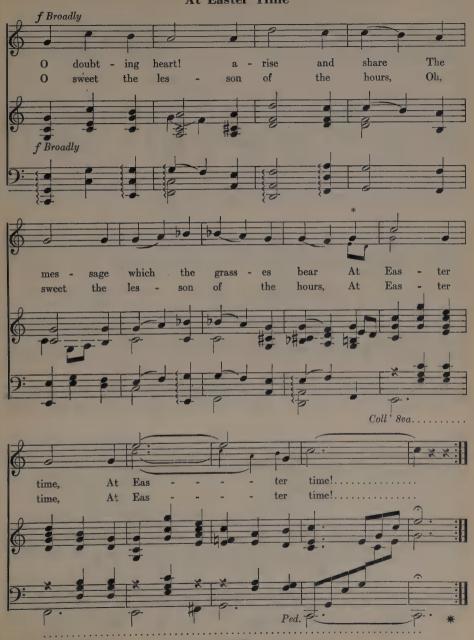


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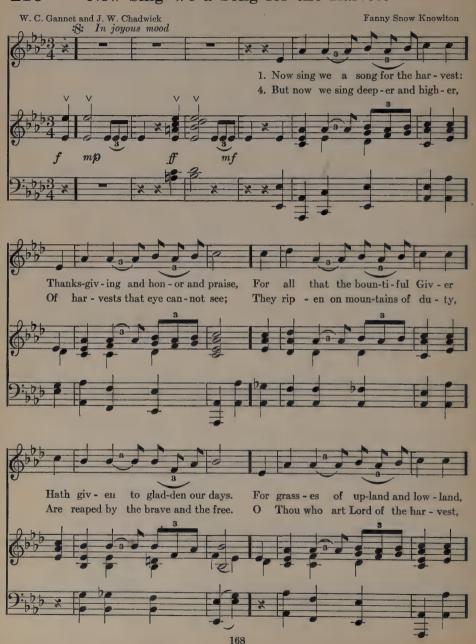
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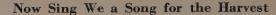


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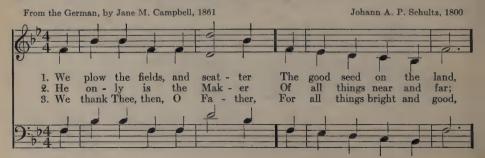






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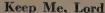




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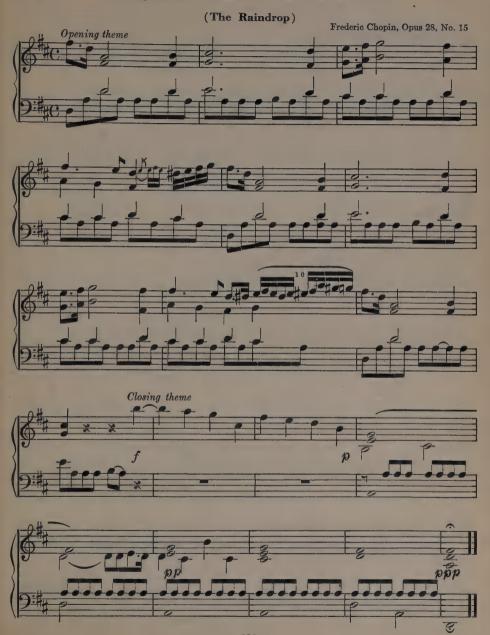




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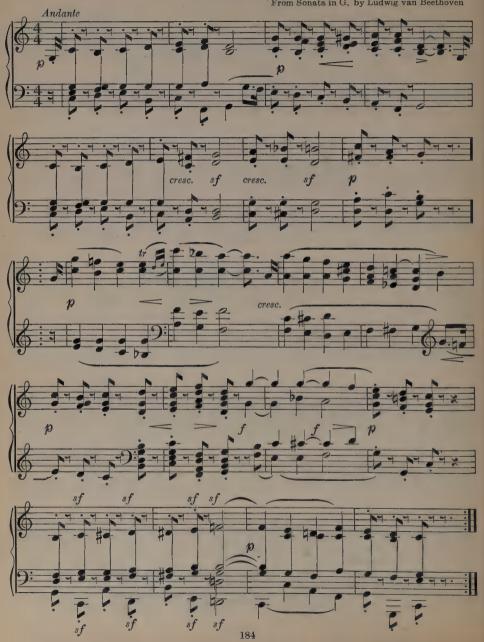


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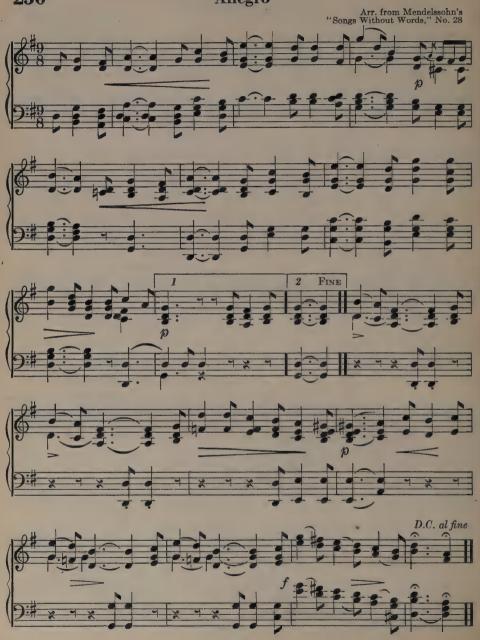
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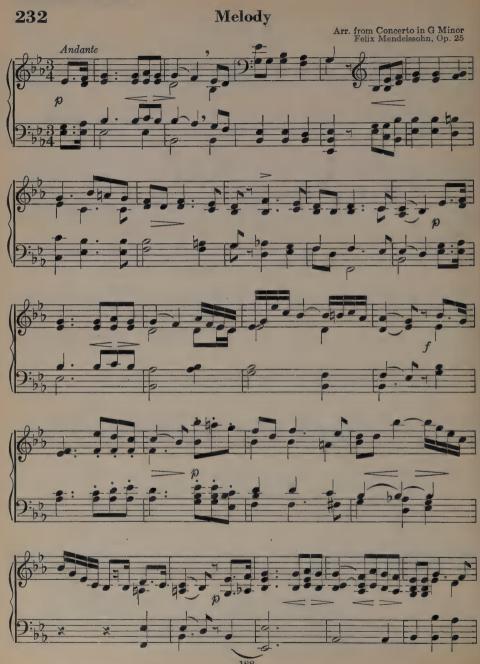
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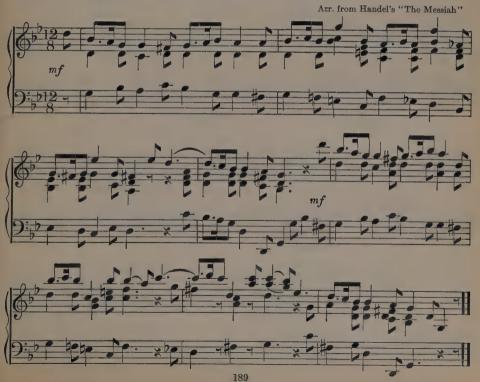
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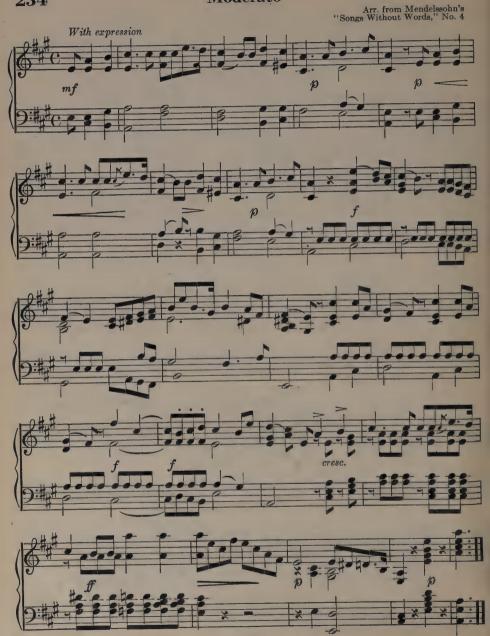






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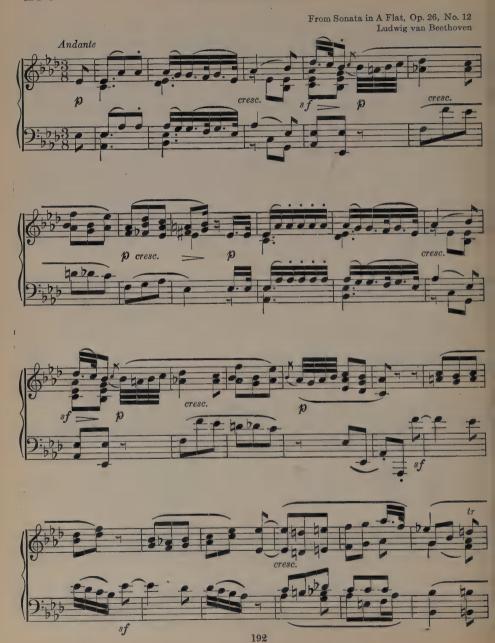




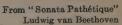


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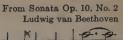


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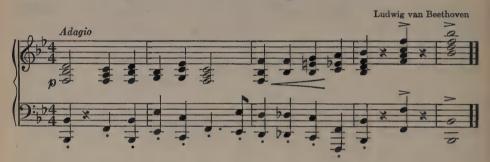
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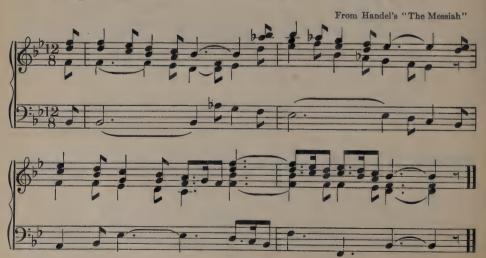




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Services of Worship for Juniors



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Services of Worship and How to Use Them

A service of worship, no matter where it is conducted, should be a real spiritual experience, "a personal approach to God," a sense of comradeship with him through Jesus Christ, and a heartening fellowship with kindred spirits. To make it such in the Junior Church school is not a difficult task, for there are traits and tendencies in the

children that really lend themselves to the purpose of the program.

Juniors are naturally eager to sing and like to worship God in song. They sing with ease and cover a wide range of tones. Consequently in England, and in some parts of America, Junior choirs have a large place in worship and excel in the service of praise. Since the days of Theodulph of Orleans, A.D. 800, choirs of boys and of girls have contributed largely to the beauty and the inspiration of public worship. The Junior Church school, therefore, should offer unusual opportunities to its member-

ship for the enjoyment of worship and for training in its beneficent ministry.

In preparing services of worship for Juniors, the purpose of worship must be steadily adhered to. Its purpose is to deepen and enrich the Junior's experience of God as Father and Friend. It aims to awaken feelings and to inspire attitudes, such as gratitude, good will, reverence, faith, prayer, and loyalty, and to energize the wills of boys and girls for lofty endeavor. When a service of worship is properly planned and conducted, it produces the kind of atmosphere that makes the hour of prayer and communion welcome and sends boys and girls forth thoroughly devoted to God's purpose and consecrated to his service.

That these ends might be realized, the services of worship which follow were prepared. They are not to be used to the exclusion of new and original plans, but are submitted to fellow workers in the hope that they may prove helpful in making the worship period more beautiful and spiritually refreshing.

To that end several suggestions may not be amiss:

- 1. All services of worship gain in beauty, power, unity, and inspiration, in the measure that they embody and express a clearly defined theme or objective. This Hymnal has been compiled about the educational objectives of the Junior Program.
- 2. Participation in the service makes it a vital experience to Juniors. They are

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enriched by what they contribute to it as well as by what they take from it. Opportunity should be given them in both the conduct and the preparation of it.

3. If the Juniors are to worship with the understanding and in the spirit, it is important to interpret hymns and tunes. A section on teaching hymns is, therefore, included in this book.

4. Pictures play an important part in the creation of atmosphere, and should be

used freely.

5. In Junior worship use should be made of those hymns, poems, and Scripture passages which the Juniors know, whenever they relate to the theme or purpose of the service.

Much source material is provided in this Hymnal and leaders should become familiar with it. It is included by special request, and is sufficiently varied to be really helpful to them and their associates in a work which is at once challenging, beautiful, and inspiring.

Theme: Praising God for His Goodness

(This program, which covers the entire period of the school session, is for general use, and is so arranged that, with change of theme and hymns, it may be used repeatedly. It indicates to leaders how Juniors may not merely participate in the program but actually direct it. Three Juniors and the superintendent are necessary in conducting the service.)

Prelude. "Sabbath Bells," by Le Coupey. See Instrumental Section, No. 231.

Musical Ascription. "This Is the Day Which the Lord Hath Made," Hymn 193.

"This is the day which the Lord hath made; We will rejoice and be glad in it."

Call to Worship. (With three Juniors and the superintendent on the platform.)

FIRST JUNIOR: "Make a joyful noise unto Jehovah, all ye lands."

SECOND JUNIOR: "Serve Jehovah with gladness:

Come before his presence with singing."

SCHOOL: "For Jehovah is good; his lovingkindness endureth for ever,

And his faithfulness unto all generations."

Braise Hymn. "All Things Praise Thee, Lord Most High," Hymn 18.

"All things praise Thee, Lord Most High: Heaven and earth, and sea and sky, All were for Thy glory made, That Thy greatness thus displayed, Should all worship bring to Thee; All things praise Thee: Lord, may we.

"All things praise Thee: night to night Sings in silent hymns of light; All things praise Thee: day to day Chants Thy power in burning ray; Time and space are praising Thee; All things praise Thee: Lord, may we.

"All things praise Thee: high and low, Rain, and dew, and seven-hued bow, Crimson sunset, fleecy cloud, Rippling stream, and tempest loud,

Summer, winter—all to Thee Glory render: Lord, may we. Amen."

Unison Prayer. (Led by the superintendent or one of the teachers.)

Here in this happy place, O God, where we are with our schoolmates and friends, we praise and thank thee for thy goodness. We see thy glory and goodness all about us: in mountain, field, and glen, in the azure sky, and in the face of man. Everything praises thee and gives thee honor; so, O God, would we. Help us to be grateful and to love thee with all our hearts. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Response. "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord," No. 197.

"Hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us Thy peace."

Memory Psalm. (Led by the three Juniors.)

"Oh come, let us sing unto Jehovah;
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving;
Let us make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.
For Jehovah is a great God,
And a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the deep places of the earth;
The heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, and he made it;
And his hands formed the dry land.
Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
Let us kneel before Jehovah our Maker:
For he is our God.

Gloria Patri. No. 181.

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen."

And we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand."

Story Message. "Cædmon, and How He Learned to Praise God."

(By superintendent.)

Cædmon was a poor shepherd who lived in the seventh century. Apart from being devoted to his flock he had no interests. He knew the hills and fields where the best grass grew for his sheep, and where it was safe to go. He was simple, true, and faithful; but he had few gifts. At all events, his friends in the Abbey of Whitby, where he was a kind of handy man, did not credit him with any.

The abbey had a beautiful life. This was due to the Abbess Hilda, who presided over it. She was a very charming person and interested in making the people of the abbey happy. For the long winter evenings she arranged programs of prayer, praise, and entertainment. Because everybody could take part, many interesting

things happened.

One winter's night, as the group sat around a large fireplace and a roaring blaze warmed the room, Cædmon, who happened to sit near the fire, was asked to sing some hymn in praise of God. Now Cædmon knew how to take care of his sheep,

what call to use when he wished to warn them, and how to whistle when he wished them to change their course, but he could not sing. He could not sing so much as a single verse.

Feeling very much ashamed, he withdrew to the cold of the stable and slept with his flock. In his sleep a stranger, with flowing robes and shining eyes, appeared to him and asked him to sing. "Rise," said he. "Rise, Cædmon, and sing. We ought

always to praise the Lord of heaven for his mighty works."

At first Cædmon refused; how could he sing? But he was asked a second time. There was something in the stranger's face that gave him courage, and he obeyed. He sang in praise of God, and so beautifully did he sing that even the angels stopped to listen.

The next day Cædmon told his strange experience to the Abbess Hilda. She listened patiently and seemed to know all about it. She told him that God wished him to sing and had sent an angel to help him. So Cædmon was very happy. That very night, when they sat around the hearth, telling stories and singing songs, Cædmon was again asked to sing. He rose and, seeing the confident eyes of the Abbess Hilda upon him, sang a psalm in praise of God, and his voice was better than all the rest. Such became his fame that people came from afar to hear him, and as these people did not have the Scriptures in their own tongue, as we do to-day, he taught them to sing its great truths and stories in their own language.

Doxology. "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow," Hymn 6.

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen,"

(The special purpose of the offering should be indicated by the superintendent.)

Offertory Hymn. "Bless Thou the Gifts," Hymn 129.

"Bless Thou the gifts our hands have brought: Bless Thou the work our hearts have planned; Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; The rest, O God, is in Thy hand. Amen."

Lesson Period.

Signal for Assembly. "Theme from Violin Sonata in C Minor," by Beethoven, No. 242.

Announcements. (To be made in brief, dignified manner by a Junior in the school.)

Closing Hymn. "When This Song of Praise Shall Cease," Hymn 14.

"When this song of praise shall cease, Let Thy children, Lord, depart With the blessing of Thy peace, And Thy love in every heart.

"O where'er our path may lie,
Father, let us not forget
That we walk beneath Thine eye,
That Thy care upholds us yet. Amen."

Benediction in Unison.

Keep us as thine own, O God, and fill our hearts with praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayer. (While heads are bowed the pianist plays very softly Hymn 13.)

Note: Hereafter only the worship service will be given. The concluding parts of this program will help leaders to plan for the closing of the school session.

A Service of Loyalty

Theme: Pledged to Be Loyal

Prelude.

"Andante from Sonata in G," by Beethoven, No. 228.

(Play in strict time; watch marks of expression; be sure to command attention.)

Processional.

By two classes, one of boys and the other of girls, entering from the rear and bearing the Christian flag at the head of the column. As they proceed, they sing the first and second stanzas of "Fling Out the Banner! Let It Float," Hymn 144. As they form about the flag in front of the platform, they sing the third stanza. The school then rises and joins in the fourth and fifth stanzas.

FOR THE CLASSES:

"Fling out the banner! let it float Skyward and seaward, high and wide; The sun that lights its shining folds, The cross on which the Saviour died.

"Fling out the banner! angels bend In anxious silence o'er the sign, And vainly seek to comprehend The wonder of the Love divine."

As THEY FORM AROUND THE FLAG:

"Fling out the banner! heathen lands Shall see from far the glorious sight, And nations, crowding to be born, Baptize their spirits in its light."

FOR ENTIRE SCHOOL:

"Fling out the banner! sin-sick souls, That sink and perish in the strife, Shall touch in faith its radiant hem And spring immortal into life.

"Fling out the banner! wide and high, Seaward and skyward, let it shine: Nor skill, nor might, nor merit ours; We conquer only in that sign. Amen."

A Service of Lovalty

Flag Salute.

"I pledge allegiance to my flag and to the Saviour for whose Kingdom it stands: one brotherhood, uniting all mankind in service and love."

Hymn of Adoration.

Still facing the Christian flag, the school sings the first stanza of "Fairest Lord Jesus," Hymn 9.

"Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,

O Thou of God and man the Son; Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,

Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown. Amen."

Recessional.

While the pianist plays the music of "Fairest Lord Jesus" the classes form, march to the rear, and find their places in the room.

Unison Prayer.

Our Father in heaven, we thank thee for thy great love to us. Thou hast given us life and health, the joy of friends, and the protection of home. Above all, thou hast given us Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Friend, who cares for us more than we can know. Help us, O God, to love him more, and give us strength to serve him all our days. Amen.

Soft Music.

While group is seated and heads are bowed, play softly the refrain of "Day Is Dying in the West," Hymn 178.

Story Message. "He Remained Loyal." (To be told by a Junior.)

Many boys and girls know about David Livingstone, and how he gave his life to Africa. Stories about his adventures there, including combats with wild beasts and conflicts with unfriendly natives, are well known. How he was lost and not heard of for many months and finally found by Henry M. Stanley are familiar facts.

He is known as the man who never gave up, who was loyal to the end. He was that kind of man because early in life he gave his heart to Jesus Christ and remained faithful. Though he had many hardships to overcome as a boy and, later, as a stu-

dent, he remained true.

He knew great discouragement; but he remained hopeful and constant in service. No experience tried him more than his examination for the work of a missionary. The committee who examined him found him shy and hesitant as a preacher, and brought in an unfavorable report. Thereupon, so the story goes, Livingstone withdrew from the committee and sought the quiet and solitude of a churchyard near by. His heart was troubled. As he wandered among the gravestones, the sky had never seemed so gray; he felt lonely and forsaken.

But as a boy he had been taught to pray in every time of need, and so he called a halt to his aimless wanderings, and knelt in prayer. Again he gave his heart to the

Master, and vowed that he would not give up.

He remained loyal and, when later the committee accepted him, he went to Africa. There he labored many years and suffered many hardships. When an anxious world sent Henry M. Stanley to see what had become of him and to urge him to return to England, he refused to do so. He stood by his work.

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In Africa he was so much like the Saviour in his devotion that the natives began to speak of him as their great friend. "He loves God," said they, "and is our friend." He remained loyal, and God gave him a vast continent for his faithfulness.

Offertory Hymn. "Thy Work, O God, Needs Many Hands," Hymn 133.

"Thy work, O God, needs many hands
To help Thee everywhere,
And some there are who cannot serve
Unless our gifts we share.

"Because we love Thee and Thy work, Our offering now we make; Be pleased to use it as Thine own, We ask for Jesus' sake. Amen,"

Prayer by the Superintendent.

O God, our Father, help us to live like Jesus, whose heart was full of love and whose life was marked by friendly acts. He went about doing good, and so increased the joy of others. Help us to be so loyal that we shall never cease to speak about him and his friendship. Here in our school we give our hearts to him, and pray thee to make us faithful to the end. We ask this for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Class Recessional. "Let Us Be Loyal," Hymn 158.

"Let us be loyal! Heart and hand
Pledged to our home, and our friends, our land;
Pledged to our work, that day by day
It shall be done in a faithful way;
Pledged to be kind, pledged to be true,
Pledged to be brave our whole lives through;
Ready to do our best we stand
And give our loyal heart and hand. Amen."

A Service of Beatitudes

Theme: The Happy Life

(Joy is one of the chief characteristics of the Christian life. Jesus said that he came "that your joy may be made full." Joy is the keynote of the Sermon on the Mount, part of which is used in this program. In this program the element of joy is emphasized by associating it with the theme: "The Happy Life." It is suggested that the program be conducted by one of the classes, which takes its place on the platform during the playing of the prelude. The program should proceed without any announcements.)

"Prelude in G Major," by Batiste, No. 226. Prelude.

Musical Sentence. No. 190.

"The Lord is in His holy temple, Let all the earth keep silence before Him."

(Conducted by three Juniors.) Call to Worship.

"Make a joyful noise unto Jehovah, all ye lands." FIRST JUNIOR:

"Serve Jehovah with gladness: SECOND JUNIOR:

Come before his presence with singing."

"Know ye that Jehovah, he is God: THIRD JUNIOR:

It is he that hath made us, and we are his:

We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture."

"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, SCHOOL:

And into his courts with praise:

Give thanks unto him, and bless his name."

"For Jehovah is good; his lovingkindness endureth for ever,

And his faithfulness unto all generations."

"Let Us with a Gladsome Mind," Hymn 8. Homn of Praise.

> "Let us with a gladsome mind Praise the Lord, for he is kind: For His mercies aye endure, Ever faithful, ever sure.

"He, with all-commanding might, Filled the new-made world with light: For His mercies aye endure, Ever faithful, ever sure.

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"All things living He doth feed: His full hand supplies their need: For His mercies ave endure. Ever faithful, ever sure.

"Let us, then, His praise sing forth, His high majesty and worth: For His mercies ave endure. Ever faithful, ever sure. Amen."

Unison Praver.

Our Father in heaven, we humbly pray that we may be strong and happy. Give us a high sense of honor in all we do, and when we are tempted to evil, help us to exercise self-control. Give us grace to do our duty at home, in school, on the playground, and out in the world. Teach us that the secret of happiness is to do thy will in all things. Give us the spirit of Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying, "Our Father" (et cetera). Amen.

Sanctus.

Arranged from Gaul's "The Holy City," No. 185.

"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord of Hosts: Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts. Amen."

Memory Selection.

"The Happy Man." (Recited by a Junior.)

"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the wicked Nor standeth in the way of sinners. Nor sitteth in the seat of scoffers: But his delight is in the law of Jehovah; And on his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the streams of water, That bringeth forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also doth not wither: And whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."

Gloria Patri.

No. 182.

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen."

The Beatitudes.

(Conducted by the superintendent and the class on the platform.)

SUPERINTENDENT: "And seeing the multitudes, he went up into the mountain: and when he had sat down, his disciples came unto him: and he opened his mouth and taught them, saying,

CLASS:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

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Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are they that have been persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are ye when men shall reproach you, and persecute you, and say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets that were before you."

Praper.

Lord, be gracious unto us, and help us to obtain these blessings. Grant unto us thy Holy Spirit, and enable us to live the happy life possible through Jesus Christ. For his sake we ask this. Amen.

Storp Message. (To be told by one of the Juniors.)

A few years ago one of India's greatest men was on a journey. He was so well

known that throngs of people greeted him at every railway station.

Because he had suffered much, everybody knew him. He had just served a term in prison, and was released feeble in health. He knew that he had been wronged, but with it all he was happy in spirit, and not in the least bitter.

People everywhere marveled at his happiness, were surprised at his peace, and

remarked about his good will.

"Perhaps he did not suffer much," suggested one.
"But see how pale and weak he is," said another.

"He must be very wealthy, and therefore is untroubled," observed a third.

"No," said a fourth, "he has a great secret, and some day we shall know about it." Finally, at a railway station where the great man's train stopped, he was asked for a message.

"Tell us," asked the spokesman for the people, "the secret of the happy life."

He drew from his robe a New Testament and read from it the Beatitudes, which we have just heard. Then suddenly, he bowed and withdrew. The secret which he gave them had been given him by Jesus Christ.

Is Jesus Christ right?

Hymn of Joy.

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," Hymn 12. (First stanza only.)

"Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of Glory, Lord of Love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Hail Thee as the Sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away,
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day! Amen."

Offertory Homn.

"We Give Thee But Thine Own," Hymn 131.

"We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be:
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee. Amen."

Adjournment to Classes. Pianist plays "Communion," by Batiste, No. 223.

A Service of World Friendship

Theme: World Friendship

(All material used should be taught and practiced with the motive of learning it well enough to use in worshiping God.)

Opening Song.

"It Makes No Difference, East or West" Hymn 151.

"It makes no diff'rence, east or west,
Wherever we may be,
God is our Father, Friend, and Guide,
His gifts are show'red on every side;
He cares for you and me!

"It makes no diff'rence, north or south,
Wherever we may be,
God loves His children everywhere,
And guards us with his tender care;
He loves both you and me! Amen."

Prayer.

Dear Father, God, we ask thy help as we study about thy great family. We ask thy forgiveness for sometimes forgetting to be kind. We thank thee for thy great loving-kindness to us all. Help us always to be friends. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

Illustrated Hymn. '

"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations," Hymn 149.

FIRST STANZA:

Pantomime story-telling in a mission-hospital waiting room. From a door or screen on the platform, marked "Hospital," comes a Junior girl in nurse's costume. From the front seats, one at a time, come a number of patients dressed in Chinese costumes (or costumes of any chosen country). One has his arm in a sling, one uses a crutch, another has a bandaged head, another has earache, and so on. The nurse greets them and motions them to be seated, as in a waiting room. A boy enters with an injured hand and receives first aid. A girl with an inflamed eye arrives and has it bandaged. Thereupon the nurse begins to show them pictures, and to tell them stories in pantomime. Probably the stanza "We've a story to tell" should begin at this point, sung by the rest of the Junior group. The group on the platform gather around the nurse, and all are seated in the center as the chorus closes. They remain seated throughout the rest of the song, but do not join in singing.

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SECOND STANZA:

"We've a message to give," et cetera. One boy comes up at each side carrying a Christian flag. They take their places at center, back of group, and stand at attention while the verse is being sung, then say, "This is our message: 'For God so loved the world,'" et cetera. John 3:16. Then one goes to the right and one to the left, a little behind the first group.

THIRD STANZA:

"We've a Saviour to show," et cetera. Two boys carrying a large picture of Christ come up at the right and stand at center, holding picture so that all can see. (Copping's Hope of the World or Hofmann's Christ or any other favorite picture may be used. If possible a framed picture should be used. If the picture is too heavy to hold, it may be placed on an easel.) Two girls come from the left carrying Bibles or New Testaments, and take their places on either side of the boys, holding the books high.

The whole group holds the tableau as the following song is sung.

Hymn,

"The Word of God Must Go," Hymn 145.

"The Word of God must go
To waiting lands afar,
Till every distant shore shall know
The beauty of the star.

"The flag of God, unfurled,
Above all storms shall toss
Until it signals down the world
The meaning of the cross.

"Go, ye who bear the Word!
We'll pray, and strive, and give,
Till hearts that love had never stirred
Shall see the Light, and live. Amen."

[Group returns to seats in the following order: (1) hospital group; (2) boys with picture and girls with Bibles; (3) boys with flags.]

Offertory.

"Thy Work, O God, Needs Many Hands," Hymn 133.

"Thy work, O God, needs many hands To help Thee everywhere, And some there are who cannot serve Unless our gifts we share.

"Because we love Thee and Thy work, Our offering now we make; Be pleased to use it as Thine own, We ask for Jesus' sake. Amen."

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Offertory Praper.

Closing Hymn

"The World, Dear Lord, Is Very Large," Hymn 147. (Last stanza used as prayer, with heads bowed.)

"The world, dear Lord, is very large,
With people far apart,
Yet all alike, whate'er their needs,
Are children of Thy heart.
And though some live in foreign climes,
Or islands of the sea,
One family tie unites them still
And they belong to Thee.

"Grant us to live as children should,
Who heed one Father's call
And, round a common place of prayer,
Desire the good of all.
So help us serve each other, Lord,
Whate'er our race or clan,
That through our love for each may come
The brotherhood of man. Amen."

A Service Prepared by Juniors for Their Parents

A Junior Department voted to entertain their parents. They discussed what they might do. Among other things, they expressed a desire to have a worship service such as they had planned for one of their own meetings. "That shows what we are doing.

And anyway we would want a service of worship," they said.

A committee made up of representatives of each group was chosen to select the theme and the material and to arrange the service. At first they chose too many hymns, but they soon realized that they would not have time to sing so many. Next it was discovered that they did not know some of the hymns selected, and had not time to learn them, so others had to be substituted. There was a worth-while study of The Hymnal during this process. "As soon as this party is over," exclaimed one of the boys, "let us begin to learn a lot of hymns." And another said: "Let's get them so that we can sing them without the books. I don't think it looks well to use our books when we lead others in a worship service."

Theme: Jesus at Work Everywhere

Opening Statement.

(A Junior boy and a girl sat in front, one on either side of a little table, and shared in presiding.)

BOY LEADER:

We are to think about Jesus' work to-day. Sometimes we wonder what became of Jesus after he was no longer a baby. We will sing about that.

Homn.

- "At Work Beside His Father's Bench," Hymn 79. (First two stanzas.)
- "At work beside His father's bench, At play when work was done; In quiet Galilee He lived— The Friend of everyone.
- "And in the little flat-roofed house He served with willing hand; His mother's daily burdens bore, Her joys and pleasures planned.

REFRAIN:

"Comrade of boys and girls like us, Playmate so straight and true,

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In all our work, in all our play,
Make us true comrades too. Amen."

BOY LEADER: R-will now tell us what the Bible says about Jesus' work as

a boy.

R—: (Recites Luke 2:40-51. Moffatt's translation.)

"And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the favour of God was on him. Every year his parents used to travel to Jerusalem at the passover festival; and when he was twelve years old they went up as usual to the festival. After spending the full number of days they came back, but the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know of this; they supposed he was in the caravan and travelled on for a day, searching for him among their kinsfolk and acquaintances. Then, as they failed to find him, they came back to Jerusalem in search of him. Three days later they found him in the temple, seated among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, till all his hearers were amazed at the intelligence of his own answers. When his parents saw him they were astounded, and his mother said to him, 'My son, why have you behaved like this to us? Here have your father and I been looking for you anxiously!' 'Why did you look for me?' he said, 'Did you not know I had to be at my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he said. Then he went down along with them to Nazareth, and did as they told him.''

BOY LEADER:

If Jesus had not worked hard in school he could not have talked to those teachers in the Temple. Jesus went to school in a synagogue where they memorized a great deal of Scripture. They learned some of the psalms so that they could use them in their services and festivals. We are going to recite a psalm which Jesus probably learned so that he could sing it on the way to Jerusalem to the passover festival.

Psalm in Unison.

(Group in concert recites the Twenty-fourth Psalm.)

Boy Leader:

Miss S—— will sing us another song about Jesus as a boy. Next year we shall all learn to sing it.

€olo:

"We Thank Thee, Lord, Thou Wast a Lad," Hymn 72.

"We thank Thee, Lord, Thou wast a lad With open, radiant face, Whose charm and cheer in Nazareth Were known in every place. We thank Thee that in humble home Thou wast a star-eyed boy, Who for a mother's loving heart Commanded troops of joy.

"We thank Thee that in Joseph's shop
Thou wast a willing son,
And felt the thrill of worthy praise,
The joy of work well done.

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We thank Thee that God's out of doors Enthralled Thee with surprise, And made Thee, in its wonderland, Majestic, patient, wise.

"We thank Thee, Thou in synagogue,
With altar, scroll, and rod,
With vaulted roof and silent dome,
Wast taught the ways of God.
So didst Thou grow, our blessed Lord,
In stature, wisdom, grace;
And so would we, at home, at school,
Be trained to fill our place. Amen."

BOY LEADER:

We will sing a prayer song, "O Jesus, Lad of Nazareth," Hymn 137.

"O Jesus, Lad of Nazareth, Help us this day to grow In favor with both God and man, As Thou didst, long ago.

"Thou wast obedient, happy, true, Though with a spirit free, There in Thy loving, humble home, Jesus of Galilee!

"O Jesus, Lad of Nazareth,
Help us this day to grow,
In wisdom and in stature, too,
As Thou didst, long ago.

"Help us to live as Thou didst live, And in our homes to be Obedient, happy, kind and true, Jesus of Galilee! Amen."

GIRL LEADER:

Now we are going to think of Jesus' work as a man. We will sing "And as he grew to be a man." (The last stanzas of "At Work Beside His Father's Bench," Hymn 79.)

"And as He grew to be a man He wandered far and wide, To be a Friend to everyone Throughout the countryside.

"Through hardships and through dangers too, Undaunted, tireless, brave; For troubled, sick, and weary friends His daily life He gave.

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REFRAIN: "Comrade of men, so strong and true,

Help us strong friends to be;

Make us true comrades one and all, To others and to Thee. Amen."

F—— is going to tell us of Tesus' helping some sick people. GIRL LEADER:

F---: (Tells the story of the cleansing of the ten lepers. Luke 17:11-14.)

GIRL LEADER: We will sing a song about Iesus at work helping people.

"Thine Arm, O Lord, in Days of Old," Hymn 74. Homn.

P—— and H—— will now show you some pictures of Jesus help-GIRL LEADER:

ing people, and also pictures of people whom he is leading to be

his workers now.

Pictures.

(Selections from set of New Testament pictures by Copping were shown with reflectoscope; also pictures of modern Christian service work. If it is not possible to secure a machine to show the pictures, have the children hold large copies so all may see them.)

We Juniors want to work everywhere as Jesus did, and so we GTRI LEADER:

have a motto to help us to remember. We will sing this in

closing.

"Be Ye Doers of the Word," Hymn 192. Closina Sona.

Note: This service, which was actually evolved by a group of Junior boys and girls, is presented just as it was used. It is not a type service, but illustrates what Juniors can do when given the opportunity. More music was used than the Editorial Committee would recommend.

Theme: The Wonderful Star

To be led by the superintendent and a class of Juniors, one of whom should be able to sing a solo. On the platform should be a large star, connected with electric current, but not turned on. On the right, ready to be illumined, is a Christmas tree. Two Juniors and the superintendent begin the service; the rest of the class participating is in the rear or in an anteroom.

Prelude.

"Prelude in G Major," by Batiste, No. 224. (This is played while the room is in semidarkness.)

Class Homn.

"Silent Night! Holy Night!" Hymn 65. (First stanza behind closed doors. During the second stanza the star on the platform is lighted.)

"Silent night! Holy night!
All is dark, save the light
Yonder, where they sweet vigils keep,
O'er the Babe who in silent sleep,
Rests in heavenly peace,
Rests in heavenly peace.

"Silent night! Peaceful night!
Darkness flies, all is light;
Shepherds hear the angels sing,
'Alleluia! hail the King!
Christ the Saviour born,
Jesus the Saviour is born.' Amen."

Antiphon.

(By the two Juniors on the platform, impersonating a watchman and a traveler.)

and a traveler.

TRAVELER: "Watchman, tell us of the night,
What its signs of promise are."

WATCHMAN: "Traveler, o'er you mountain's height, See that glory-beaming star!"

TRAVELER: "Watchman, doth its beauteous ray Aught of hope or joy foretell?"

WATCHMAN' "Traveler, yes, it brings the day, Promised day of Israel."

TOGETHER:

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of Jehovah is risen upon thee."

Carol.

"There's a Song in the Air," Hymn 55. (By class entering from the rear. The school stands at attention and joins in the second stanza.)

"There's a song in the air!
There's a star in the sky!
There's a mother's deep prayer
And a Baby's low cry!

And the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing, For the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King.

"There's a tumult of joy
O'er the wonderful birth!
For the Virgin's sweet Boy
Is the Lord of the earth.
Av! the star rains its fire and the beautiful sing.

For the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King. Amen."

Prayer by Superintendent.

(The lights on the Christmas tree are turned on immediately after the "Amen" has been said.)

We thank thee, O God, for the star that shone over the manger in which the Baby Jesus lay, and that its light guided the wise and the humble, the rich and the poor to his side. We thank thee for the star in this room and pray thee that it may help us to think of Jesus and how he came to be our Friend and Saviour. Help us to love him with all our hearts, and make us eager to tell the good news of his coming to all the world. For his sake make us happy in one another and in thee. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Response. "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord," No. 197.

Climpses of the Pativity. (Given by the class designated above.)

FIRST JUNIOR:

"And there were shepherds in the same country abiding in the field, and keeping watch by night over their flock. And an angel of the Lord stood by them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid."

SECOND JUNIOR:

"And the angel said unto them, Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people: for there is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord."

THIRD JUNIOR:

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest,

And on earth peace among men in whom he is well pleased."

FOURTH JUNIOR:

"And it came to pass, when the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing that is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found both Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger."

FIFTH JUNIOR:

"Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa in the days of Herod the king, behold, Wise-men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we saw his star in the east, and are come to worship him. . . . And they came into the house and saw the young child with Mary his mother; and they fell down and worshipped him; and opening their treasures they offered unto him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh."

Solo and Chorus.

"A King Might Miss the Guiding Star," Hymn 206.

(Solo to be sung by a Junior, or teacher, the school joining in

the refrain.)

Solo: "A King might miss the guiding star,

A Wise Man's foot might stumble;

For Bethlehem is very far From all except the humble."

CHORUS: "'Tis Christmas Day! 'Tis Christmas Day!

And Christmas hearts are humble."

Solo: "Some pilgrims seek a hallowed shrine;

Some soldiers march to danger; Some trav'lers seek an inn—its sign,

'The Baby in a Manger.'"

CHORUS: "When Christ was born on Christmas morn,

They laid Him in a manger."

Solo: "There is no palace in that place,

Nor any seat of learning,
No hill-top vision of God's face,
No altar candles burning."

CHORUS: "O come and see our Christmas tree
And Christmas candles burning."

Solo: "But he who gets to Bethlehem

Shall hear the oxen lowing;

And, if he humbly kneel with them, May catch far trumpets blowing."

CHORUS:

"From far away, on Christmas Day, May hear God's trumpets blowing. Amen."

Christmas Offering.

(The superintendent explains the nature of the offering, which is possibly for the poor, for the town hospital, or for the foreign field. While the pianist plays Hymn 69, class representatives bring their gifts forward and stand at attention. The school joins in the following:)

Offertory Response.

Hymn 131.

"We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be:
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee. Amen."

Recessional to Classes. "As with Gladness Men of Old," Hymn 60.

(After second stanza, stand at attention and sing "Amen.")

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Theme: The Risen Christ

Prelude.

(While class forms in the rear for a processional, the pianist plays brightly the "Moderato Movement" of Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata," No. 238.)

Processional Hymn. "Sweet and Clear the Birds Are Singing," Hymn 90.

(Class sings hymn from memory. The members carry lilies, march to the platform, and place them there; then take positions on platform.)

CLASS:

"Sweet and clear the birds are singing, At Easter dawn! Hark, O hear! the bells are ringing On Easter morn! And the song that they sing,

And the song that they sing, The good news we hear them ring, Is 'Christ the Lord is risen, is risen!'

"Birds, your hearts give to your singing,
And feel no fear!
Bells, fill all the air with ringing,
Let all men hear!
For the whole world is glad,
And with beauty new is clad,
Now Christ the Lord is risen, is risen!"

SCHOOL:

"Easter buds will soon be flowers, Fragrant and gay;

Winter's snows give place to showers,

And night to day; Hope and joy come again! Life and light forever reign!

Yea! Christ the Lord is risen, is risen! Amen."

Easter Antiphon.

(By superintendent and class.)

SUPERINTENDENT: "'Christ the Lord is ris'n to-day,'
Sons of men and angels say:

Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply."

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CLASS: "Lift up your heads, O ye gates;

And be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors: And the King of glory will come in."

SUPERINTENDENT: "Who is the King of glory?"

CLASS: "Jehovah strong and mighty,
Jehovah mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates;

Yea, lift them up, ye everlasting doors: And the King of glory will come in."

SUPERINTENDENT: "Who is this King of glory?"

CLASS: "Jehovah of hosts,

He is the King of glory."

SCHOOL: "Christ the Lord is risen to-day.

Alleluia!"

Prayer by Superintendent.

Dear Lord, thou hast placed a great joy in our hearts, for on Easter Day we are reminded of Jesus' victory over death. The grave could not hold him; he rose to be forever with thee. With light in our faces and praise on our lips, we sing, "Alleluia, Christ is risen!" On this day, and here among these beautiful flowers, teach us again how great thy love is, and how, in thy own time, thou wilt take us all to thyself. Make us very faithful to thy service. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Response. "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord of Hosts," No. 185. The Easter Story. (John 20:1-17.)

(Told by a Junior.)

"Now on the first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, while it was yet dark, unto the tomb, and seeth the stone taken away from the tomb. She runneth therefore, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went forth, and the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. And they ran both together: and the other disciple outran Peter, and came first to the tomb; and stooping and looking in, he seeth the linen cloths lying; yet entered he not in. Simon Peter therefore also cometh, following him, and entered into the tomb; and he beholdeth the linen cloths lying, and the napkin, that was upon his head, not lying with the linen cloths, but rolled up in a place by itself. Then entered in therefore the other disciple also, who came first to the tomb, and he saw, and believed. . . . So the disciples went away again unto their own home.

"But Mary was standing without at the tomb weeping: so, as she wept, she stooped and looked into the tomb; and she beholdeth two angels in white sitting, one at the head, and one at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him. When she had thus said, she turned herself back, and beholdeth Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing

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him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou hast borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away. Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turneth herself, and saith unto him in Hebrew, Rabboni; which is to say, Teacher."

Easter Hymn. "Jesus Christ Is Risen To-day," Hymn 89.

"Jesus Christ is ris'n to-day, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

"Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia! Amen."

Offertory Announcement.

(One of the Juniors should explain that the flowers on the platform are to be given to the sick, and the offering for the day to some special cause.)

Offertory Hymn. "Bless Thou the Gifts," Hymn 129.

"Bless Thou the gifts our hands have brought: Bless Thou the work our hearts have planned; Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; The rest, O God, is in Thy hand. Amen."

Unison Prayer.

Bless us, dear Lord, in our ministry of love on this happy day. As we leave these beautiful flowers in the chambers of the sick, may they bring Easter cheer and be like medicine to the soul. Help us all to be joyous, and by many acts of love enable us to show that we are grateful. We ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

Recessional to Classes. "O Joyous Easter Morning," Hymn 93.

"O joyous Easter morning,
That saw the Lord arise!
O bright and happy morning!
The clouds have left the skies.
The night of grief is ended.
The day has come again.
And Christ has won the vict'ry,
For all the sons of men.

"O gladsome Easter morning!
Our hearts rejoice to-day,
The grave and death are conquered,
He is of Life the Way.
The hosts of sin are vanquished
He is the Victor King!
Then let us all with gladness
Our thankful praises sing. Amen."



Morning

¶ O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.—"The Book of Common Prayer."

¶ Dear Father, help me this day to be happy and grateful. Give me strength for whatever work I am asked to do; and in my hours of play make me honest and true. As the sun comes into my room and makes it light, so may beautiful thoughts fill my mind and keep me bright and cheerful. The birds sing outside my window: may my own heart be glad, so that when I say "Good morning" to my parents and to others who care for me, they may know that I love them. Guide and keep me through the day, and help me to remember that thou art always near. In Jesus' name I ask it. Amen.—C. W. L.

Ebening

¶ Send thy peace into our hearts, O Lord, at the evening hour, that we may be contented with thy mercies of this day, and be confident of thy protection for this night; and now, having forgiven others, even as thou dost forgive us, may we have a pure comfort and a healthful rest within the shelter of this home; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.—"The Book of Common Worship."

¶ Dear Father, thy love has been with me all this day. I have been happy in my friends, and I thank thee for them. In my work and in my play, thou wast very near to help: make me truly grateful. Forgive me, if I have been unkind and thoughtless, and give me strength to do better. Keep watch over me this night and rest me in sleep. Bless father and mother, and all others dear to me; and the blessings which I seek for myself—grant them also, for Jesus' sake. Amen.—C. W. L.

Grace at Table

¶ Father in heaven, sustain our bodies with this food, our hearts with true friendship, and our souls with thy truth, for Christ's sake. Amen.—"The Book of Common Worship."

Lord Jesus, be our holy Guest, Our morning Joy, our evening Rest; And with our daily bread impart Thy love and peace to every heart. Amen.

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For all thy mercies round us spread, For loving hearts that share our bread, For meat and drink we here partake, We thank thee, Lord, for Jesus' sake.

Amen. —C. W. L.

¶ For this food, the love and shelter of home, dear Father, we thank thee. Make us very happy in one another and in thee, for Jesus' sake. Amen.—C. W. L.

For Strength and Guidance

¶ I thank thee, my Father, that thou hast made thy word so plain that even children can understand it. Fix thy word in my

mind, I pray thee, and may it always be a light unto my path, that I may see plainly how to follow Jesus. . . In Jesus' name. Amen.—"Day by Day with the Master," by Robert Cluett.

- ¶ O almighty and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things which thou commandest; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.—"The Book of Common Prayer."
- ¶ O God, our Father in heaven, so lead us that each day we shall honor thee. Help us to remember that we are thy children and should be true and faithful, frank and joyous, in all that we do. On the playground, in school, in the work of home, help us to be glad in thee and to do our best. When we hesitate, be patient with us; when we fall behind through fear, give us courage to move on; and when we do wrong, forgive us our sins. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.—C. W. L.
- ¶ O almighty Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; . . . through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.
 —"The Book of Common Prayer."

General Prayers

¶ God help us in this day's duties, and in its pleasures also, to be thy good and obedient servants: help us to be faithful over a few things, that we may prove worthy to be rulers over many things. When we are tempted to do wrong, remind us of thy presence: if still we fall into evil, forgive us once more and help us to start afresh. And because thou lovest all of us, help us to be kind to one another. We ask it for

Christ's sake, our Saviour and our elder Brother. Amen.—"Christian Song," by Louis F. Benson, D.D. Copyright, 1926.

- ¶ O heavenly Father, we pray thee to make us faithful this day. Grant that we may be thoughtful and studious at school. In our play help us to obey the rules of the game and be fair. In our homes help us to love one another and be grateful. Make us true to our friends and playmates. Make us kind and gentle to the aged. May we be generous to those who are in need. We seek thy help, in Jesus' name. Amen.—
 C. W. L.
- ¶ Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.—"The Book of Common Worship."

O help me not to fail thee, Lord, But always heed thy law and Word; To country, home, and friends so true, I would be loyal through and through. Amen.—C. W. L.

- ¶ Thou art always very near to us, O God, and thy watchful care never ceases. Thou knowest us in work and in play, in failure and in success, in sickness and in health, at home and out in the great world. Grant that thy love be always in our hearts and thy praise on our lips; so shall we truly honor thee and be thy faithful children. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.—C. W. L.
- ¶ Help us, O God, to love thy word more and more every day. May we think often of its great thoughts. May we talk about its wonderful stories. Help us to obey its laws and commandments. Teach us to

turn to its pages when we need counsel. When we seek comfort may we find it in thy Word. Give us strength to follow its directions. We ask it for Jesus' sake. Amen.—C. W. L.

Before Church Service

- ¶ Heavenly Father, this is thy house. Help me to be sure that thou art here and near me. Thou art unseen; but I can feel thy presence. I bow down my head and hush all my thoughts about other things in order that I may know thee. . . . Amen.—"At Mother's Knee," by Ozora S. Davis, D.D.
- ¶ Dear Lord, thou art in this sacred place: help me to be silent before thee. While my heart is still, speak to me. Teach me what I should know; show me what I ought to do; and make me joyous in obedience. For Jesus' sake, I ask it. Amen.—C. W. L.
- ¶ "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Jehovah, my rock, and my redeemer." Amen.

Benedictions

- ¶ May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. Amen.
- ¶ Keep us as thine own, O God, and fill our

- hearts with love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.—C. W. L.
- ¶ The Lord bless and keep us; the Lord make his face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us; the Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and give us his peace. Amen.
- ¶ May the peace of God which passeth all understanding, keep our hearts and minds, now and evermore. Amen.
- ¶ Now unto him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us spotless before the throne of his glory, be all honor and majesty, now and for evermore, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- \P O God, help us to leave this happy hour feeling that thou art always near to guide and bless us. Therefore, help us to be strong and fearless to do thy will; and give us thy peace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.— $C.\ W.\ L.$

The Lord's Prayer

¶ Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.





The following pages of poetry and wise sayings, it is hoped, will supply material for work in the classroom and for conducting services of worship. The selections submitted are related to the objectives of the Junior Program and support it at every point.

The World

Great, wide, beautiful, wonderful world, With the wonderful water round you curled, And the wonderful grass upon your breast—World, you are beautifully dressed.

The wonderful air is over me, And the wonderful air is shaking the tree, It walks on the water and whirls the mills, And talks to itself on the top of the hills.

You friendly earth! How far you go, With the wheat fields that nod and the rivers that flow, With cities and gardens, and cliffs and isles, And people upon you for thousands of miles!

Ah! You are so great and I am so small,
I tremble to think of you, world, at all;
And yet when I said my prayer to-day,
A whisper inside me seemed to say:
"You are more than the earth, though you are such a dot;
You can love and think, and the world cannot."
—William Brighty Rand

Song from "Pippa Passes"

The year's at the spring
The day's at the morn;
Morning's at seven;
The hillside's dew-pearled;
The lark's on the wing;
The snail's on the thorn;
God's in his heaven—
All's right with the world.

Father in Beaben, We Thank Thee

For flowers that bloom about our feet, For tender grass so fresh, so sweet, For song of bird and hum of bee, For all things fair we hear and see, Father in heaven, we thank thee.

For blue of stream and blue of sky; For pleasant shade of branches high; For fragrant air and cooling breeze; For beauty of the blooming trees; Father in heaven, we thank thee!

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

Thou Art. @ God

Thou art, O God, the life and light
Of all this wondrous world we see;
Its glow by day, its smile by night,
Are but reflections caught from thee.
Where'er we turn, thy glories shine,
And all things fair and bright are thine!

-Thomas Moore

A Prayer Is a Wish

I'm sure you often wish a wish, Which is quite right to do; And often, many things you ask Are realized by you.

A wish is just a sort of prayer, And prayers are wishes, too, So why not wish good things that God May gladly make come true?

Believe that God is your best Friend. He has no greater joy Than granting all believing prayers Of every girl and boy.

True prayer is constant knowing that You are a living part
Of every blessing, joy, and good
In God's all-loving heart.

He Was a Boy

He was a boy like other boys,
And played and sported with the rest,
He had his troubles and his joys,
And strove for mastery with the best.
He was great-hearted, tender, true,
And brave as any boy could be,
And very gentle, for he knew,
That love is God's own chivalry.
And one thing I am sure about,—
He never tumbled into sin,
But kept himself, within, without,
As God had made him, sweet and clean.

-John Oxenham

Confidence

I know not where His islands lift
Their fronded palms in air;
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond his love and care.

—John Greenleaf Whittier

True Worth

True worth is in being, not seeming,—
In doing each day that goes by
Some little good—not in the dreaming
Of great things to do by and by.
For whatever men say in blindness,
And spite of the fancies of youth,
There's nothing so kingly as kindness,
And nothing so royal as truth.

-Alice Cary

The Selfish

Oh, if the selfish knew how much they lost, What would they not endeavor, not endure, To imitate, as far as in them lay, Him who his wisdom and his power employs In making others happy!

-Samuel Rogers

Be Strong

Be strong!
We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;
We have hard work to do and loads to lift;
Shun not the struggle: face it, 'tis God's gift.

Be strong!
Say not the days are evil—who's to blame?
And fold the hands and acquiesce—oh, shame!
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's name.

Be strong!
It matters not how deep intrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day, how long;
Faint not, fight on! To-morrow comes the song.

—Maltbie Davenport Babcock

Durity

Let your truth stand sure,
And the world is true;
Let your heart keep pure—
And the world will, too.

-George Houghton

Love and Light

There are many kinds of love, as many kinds of light,
And every kind of love makes a glory in the night.
There is love that stirs the heart, and love that gives it rest,
But the love that leads life upward is the noblest and the best.

—Henry van Dyke

Four Things

Four things a man must learn to do If he would make his record true: To think without confusion clearly; To love his fellow men sincerely; To act from honest motives purely; To trust in God and heaven securely.

-Henry van Dyke

A Noble Deed

I count this thing to be grandly true:

That a noble deed is a step toward God,
Lifting the soul from the common clod
To a purer air and a broader view.

-J. G. Holland

Follow the Christ

Follow the Christ, the King, Live pure, speak true, right wrong, follow the King—Else, wherefore born?

-Alfred Tennyson

True Gibing

Not what we give, but what we share,
For the gift without the giver is bare;
Who gives himself with his alms feeds three,—
Himself, his hungering neighbor, and Me.

-James Russell Lowell

He Can Follow the King

He can play a straight game all through;
That's one good thing he can do.
He can fight like a knight
For the truth and the right—
That's another good thing he can do.

He can shun all that's mean, He can keep himself clean, Both without and within— That's a very fine thing he can do.

He can look to the Light,
He can keep his thoughts white,
He can fight the great fight,
He can do with his might
What's good in God's sight—
Those are truly great things he can do.

And in each little thing
He can follow the King,
Yes, in each little thing
He can follow the King—
He can follow the Christ, the King.

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-John Oxenham

The True Gift

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a Wise Man
I would do my part—
Yet what can I give him,
Give my heart.

-Christina Rossetti

The Road to Happiness

It's only just a little road,
The road that leads
To happiness. It's made of faith
And kindly deeds.

Of pleasantness, of words that bless, Of thoughts that heal; Of very silent giving up For others' weal.

-Mary Carolyn Davies

The Arrow and the Song

I shot an arrow into the air, It fell to earth, I knew not where; For, so swiftly it flew, the sight Could not follow it in its flight.

I breathed a song into the air, It fell to earth, I knew not where; For who has sight so keen and strong, That it can follow the flight of song?

Long, long afterward, in an oak I found the arrow, still unbroke; And the song, from beginning to end, I found again in the heart of a friend.

-Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

World Friendship

O North, with all thy vales of green!
O South, with all thy palms!
From peopled towns and fields between
Uplift the voice of psalms;
Raise, ancient East, the anthem high,
And let the youthful West reply.

O Father! haste the promised hour When, at his feet, shall lie All rule, authority, and power, Beneath the ample sky; When he shall reign from pole to pole, The Lord of every human soul.

-William Cullen Bryant

The World Is Jull of Children

The world is full of children:
In land of palm or snow;
In home of tent or palace;
No matter where we go.
They're dark or white or yellow;
But God loves every race;
The work of his great Kingdom
Gives every one a place.

The world is full of children:
Our God who sent his Son
To be our Friend and Saviour
Defends and loves each one.
He wants us to be friendly
And help each other, too;
And show our love for Jesus
In everything we do.

-Wilhelmina D'Arcy Stephens

Christmas Everywhere

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas to-night! Christmas in lands of the fir tree and pine. Christmas in lands of the palm tree and vine. Christmas where snow peaks stand solemn and white. Christmas where cornfields lie sunny and bright!

Christmas where children are hopeful and gay, Christmas where old men are patient and gray, Christmas where peace, like a dove in his flight, Broods o'er brave men in the thick of the fight, Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas to-night.

For the Christ-child who comes is the Master of all; No palace too great and no cottage too small.

-Phillips Brooks

Seems to Me

Seems to me the stars shine brighter
Christmas night;
Seems to me the snow lies whiter
Christmas night;
That the solemn trees stand straighter,
And the frosty moon sets later,
And the hush is stiller, greater,
Christmas night.

Seems to me sad things are fewer
Christmas night;
Seems to me glad things are truer
Christmas night;
Seems to me the bells ring clearer
From their steeples, louder, nearer—
Seems to me the whole world's dearer
Christmas night.

-Nancy Byrd Turner

Bless My Home

Dear God, teach me the meaning of
The sacred name of home,
For it is where the first and best
Of your dear blessings come.
Within the doors of home we learn
How best to serve and live;
Its lessons guide us into life
And all life has to give.

God loves this happy home of ours
And all who dwell therein.
He shields us from the pain of fear,
And shadow of all sin.
God makes our home a house of joy,
Where love and peace are given;
It is the dearest place on earth,
The nearest place to heaven. Amen.

-John Martin

A New Pear

The dear old year has passed away;
A bright new year has come:
It brings new joys for girls and boys;
It smiles upon our home.
God give us very grateful hearts
For this new happy year.
God make it bright with peace and light
And endless loving cheer.

O dear God, make this newborn year
A joyous year that brings
Us work and fun and health and sun,
With many happy things.
O keep this growing life of mine
From sin and pain and fear.
Teach me to see your love for me
Through all this glad new year. Amen.

-John Martin

A New Leaf

He came to my desk with quivering lip.
The lesson was done.
"Dear teacher, I want a new leaf," he said,
"I've spoiled this one."
I took the old leaf so stained and blotted,
And gave him a new one, all unspotted,
And into his sad eyes smiled.
"Do better now, my child."

I came to the throne with a quivering heart,
The old year was done.
"Dear Master, I want a new leaf," I said,
"I've spoiled this one."
He took the old year so stained and blotted,
And gave me a new one all unspotted,
And into my sad heart smiled.
"Do better now, my child."

-Kathleen Wheeler





To sing well is to render an indispensable service. Music is the language of the emotions, and on this account it not merely expresses but feeds the soul. "Music," says Dr. Betts, "is concerned with the very center of the child's life, and, therefore, only those songs should be taught that we desire to make a permanent part of his character."

Nowhere is this observation quite so true as in the use of sacred songs. The hymn, if it has lyrical quality, beauty of form and imagery, can stir emotions, determine attitudes, and motivate conduct, as can few other factors in Christian education. As a means to inspire right living, stimulate lofty ideals, and awaken noble purposes, music holds a high place. Because of this fact, and many others that cannot be stated here, the following hymn annotations and teaching suggestions are added, that they may contribute to the knowledge and convenience of leaders, and so inspire and stimulate enthusiasm.

The hymns and the interpretative material of this book are grouped according to themes. This makes them readily available for any part of the Junior Program. Special attention is given to the origin of hymns, because they are almost universally the product of inspiration. To study them in the light of their origin is to bring young and old near to God. Then, too, how hymns came to be should be a matter of knowledge, because otherwise they cannot be successfully correlated with the educational program of the school.

The following suggestions are offered for consideration:

1. In teaching a hymn, first know it thoroughly yourself. Its form and imagery, its telling lines and couplets, its similes and metaphors should be at the tip of the teacher's tongue.

2. Know the music, its motifs and phrases, in such a way that you can direct the pianist to play them. Sometimes the melody of a hymn has a searching lilt to it that can be remembered for days. Bring this out, and explain why it is so easily remembered.

3. To sing with the understanding is to sing with expression. This, of course, concerns both music and words. Therefore learn all you can about them.

4. Do not sing by rote. True singing is not following the notes as they appear on the staves. It is singing with the intelligence; that is, with appreciation of the real meaning of words and tune. Every hymn is a form of beauty, and has a soul; it is the purpose of the music to express them. Therefore there must be shading and tone color.

5. To interpret a hymn with spiritual power, it is important to give attention to the marks of expression suggested by the composer.

Careful attention to the appreciation of hymns, including both beauty of literary form and musical expression, will make the service of song more uplifting and beautiful.

It is hoped, therefore, that Junior leaders will not confine themselves to singing songs within a restricted field, but will introduce their pupils to as many outstanding hymns as possible. It is said that Bishop Brooks knew by heart nearly two hundred hymns. One of the greatest living preachers is credited with knowing as many. To make this Hymnal truly valuable to Juniors, the following books should be in the school library:

"Studies of Familiar Hymns," First and Second Series, by Louis F. Benson, D.D.; "One Hundred and One Hymn Stories," by Carl Fowler Price; "Hymn Stories," by Elizabeth Colson; "Famous Hymns; with Stories and Pictures," by Elizabeth Hubbard

Bonsall.

"The Earth Is Hushed in Silence." Hymn 1

People worship because they need God. "Worship," says a great American writer, "renews the spirit as sleep revives the body." This fact makes the Lord's Day, when the tumult of business has subsided, the smoke of mill and factory has lifted, and the noises of the world are stilled, so important. The Lord's Day is man's opportunity to commune with his Maker, and to fellowship with neighbors and friends.

This beautiful hymn, whose author we do not know, indicates in a few bold strokes why the Lord's Day is a challenge for the worship of God. "The earth," it says, "is hushed in silence." Perhaps the author was in the country when he wrote this line. Before him lay the quiet fields, undisturbed by the hum of reapers and the merrymaking of the workers. Everywhere was the hush of expectation. Nature itself was at worship. Then, perhaps, as he mused, the chimes of the village church in the distance intoned some great hymn of the Church. The unexpected happened: almost immediately every tree became a choir of singing birds, that joined with the bells to praise God. With so much of worship all about him, the author could not help being inspired to write the beautiful refrain that closes each verse: "O praise and pray on this, the Lord's own day!"

To make the hymn a vital experience to the Juniors, ascertain how many of them heard the church bells during the morning, or observed the quiet of the day. What did the bells play? Or, if the children were impressed by the silence, what did this signify? Then read the lines, and point out their beauty and charm.

The tune is joyous throughout, and culminates in a refrain that should be sung in full, round tones. The joy motif is in the opening measures, and, after appearing again in lower notes, is recalled in part in the refrain. A word about Felix Mendelssohn, the composer, who wrote the "Spring Song," which the children sing in the public school, and many other compositions equally hopeful and joyous, will help them to sing with understanding.

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings flow." Hymn 6

Recently a parish house was dedicated to Christian education. Men, women, and children were interested in the project and made it possible through their gifts. When a great throng of people met to consecrate it to the Lord the first hymn they sang was "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow." Four times they sang it, and with such volume that the building itself vibrated with praise.

No hymn of the Church is more widely used than this. Not only the Sundaymorning service, but many other meetings of God's people, begin with it. Whenever adoration and thanksgiving are to be expressed, this one-stanza hymn fittingly voices the emotions of the heart. It is known as the Doxology, that is, a hymn to the Three Persons of the Holy Trinity.

Bishop Thomas Ken wrote it in 1692 as the closing lines to each of three hymns.

Old Hundredth, the tune to which it has been wed, was composed in 1551, by Louis Bourgeois, who was associated with the work of John Calvin at Geneva, Switzerland, and who wrote it for the One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Psalm. Dr. Louis F. Benson describes it as "a real antique." It is nearly four hundred years old. In spite of the simplicity of the melody, the music is stately and should be sung solidly and reverently. The development of a crescendo toward the close will be helpful. The pause at the end of each phrase helps to sustain the feeling of awe and reverence of which one is conscious in the presence of God.

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty." Hymn 11

"I like that hymn," said a boy to his pastor at a Junior service, "because it makes me feel that God is very great." A Scotch poet, speaking of the hymn, voiced the same thought: "When I sing it, it makes me feel that we are in stronger hands than our own." Both boy and man were captured by the same idea; and not without reason, for it is a hymn about God and his nature: "God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!"

It is preëminently a hymn of adoration, and was written a hundred years ago by Bishop Reginald Heber, of the Church of England, its foremost missionary to India. The reading of Rev. 4:6-11 inspired the writing of the hymn, and gave the author the key words for his thoughts. These are, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God, the Almighty, who was and who is and who is to come," Rev. 4:8. Throughout the stanzas these words are repeated with cumulative effect, so that one is made to feel that all things—the morning, the earth, the sky, the sea, saints and angels—magnify God. So true is this that hardly

anyone can sing the hymn without feeling that God's vast creation has become a mighty chorus of praise, of which the singer becomes a part and by which his soul is borne heavenward on aspiring tides into the presence of God.

The hymn was a great favorite of Lord Tennyson, the poet. Of it he said, "It makes God very real to me." Another man who made it his own was Rev. John B. Dykes, who wrote the tune with which the hymn is nearly always associated.

Few hymns offer greater opportunity for fine singing than this. Begin the words of adoration in soft tones, and develop a crescendo which should be sustained while singing "Lord God Almighty." Unusual effects may be produced by singing the third stanza unaccompanied, or by having the pianist play merely the bass notes. Close the last stanza with a climax, stately in movement and marked by deep feeling.

"Topful, Topful, We Adore Thee." Hymn 12

At the close of the last century a German teacher spent an afternoon with her class of boys and girls in God's out of doors. Together they tramped through field and wood and picnicked by a spring. There, while seated on the soft grass, they talked about flowers and trees and about the haunts and the habits of birds. At the approach of evening they climbed a hill to watch the sun set in a sea of glory. Then their teacher led them in a hymn of praise, in which the joy motif, as in the hymn now under consideration, was dominant.

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" was written by a lover of nature, Dr. Henry van Dyke, whose books are well known. It is a hymn of praise and, though written not long ago, is already a favorite. In the hymn Dr. van Dyke writes of God as the Source of joy, and addresses him as the "God of Glory, Lord of Love." He hails him as the "Sun," and the "Giver of immortal gladness."

Such is God, the author shows us, that "hearts unfold" before him as flowers in the light of day. The last stanza begins with the words:

"Mortals join the mighty chorus, Which the morning stars began."

The tune is from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, which is a favorite with Dr. van Dyke. He wrote the poem to express the symphony's religious faith and abounding joyfulness. Therefore the music and the words belong to each other, and find fulfillment in each other.

If the motif of the tune is made clear, the hymn is readily sung. This can be done by having the pianist play the first two measures, in which the joy motif is introduced. Then indicate how often it is repeated in higher and lower notes. Request the pianist to accentuate the melody, until the children know it thoroughly. The tempo should be light and cheerful.

"D Morship the King." Hymn 17

The music of "O Worship the King" moves along with a joyous rhythm. The melody is so simple, fluent, and direct, that children can sing it upon a single hearing. Almost equally melodic are the three other parts, which, combined with the first, make this tune a masterpiece in harmony.

The composer is Johann Michael Haydn, who was born in 1737 and died in 1806. His tunes, of which there are quite a number, are distinguished for their lyrical quality. They have the brightness of the sunlight and the friendly depth of the sky.

The hymn itself is "a fine ornamentation of the One Hundred and Fourth Psalm," and for felicity of expression, poetic imagery, and religious joy, is scarcely excelled. The meter is sprightly, yet dignified; the measures direct, but melodious, eloquently voicing the glory and the goodness of God. The author, Sir Robert

Grant, 1785–1838, was an English barrister and one-time governor of Bombay.

Although this is a hymn of joy, the tempo should not be hurried. The tune is stately and requires dignified expression. In the third line of each stanza there should be a perceptible crescendo, which, from there on, moves forward to a climax of full but slightly retarded tones at the close.

"I Rame Thy Hallowed Rame." Hymn 27

"I Name Thy Hallowed Name" is an effective treatment of The Lord's Prayer and was written by Louis F. Benson, D.D. The text is in short meter, and is most arresting for fine feeling and exquisite expression. As a prayer, the hymn is trustful in attitude and confident in spirit. The second stanza deserves special attention and makes a beautiful morning prayer. The last stanza, which deals with temptation, throws light on the subject. It indicates "that a sure way of escaping temptation is by having our desires lifted above the things that tempt us in the lower air to the purer air above."

The tune, which is by Robert Jackson, an English clergyman, is distinctly aspirational in character. This is beautifully brought out by the inner harmony of the piece, through the tenor and the alto, and should not escape the pianist or organist. The first strain opens in subdued tones, which become more confident in the next two, and progress to an attitude of repose in the last.

"This Is Aly Father's World." Hymn 28

Perhaps no hymn ever came to such wide acceptance in so short a time as "This Is My Father's World." This is due largely to its buoyant attitude toward life. It radiates light and inspires hope. One cannot read it, much less sing it, without feeling this.

The author, Maltbie D. Babcock, D.D., whose spirit is reflected in its virile lines, never outgrew the vigor and vivacity of youth. His entire career was that of a boy grown to manhood's estate, but never quite leaving the boy behind. His personality was vibrant with the energy of youth, so that it was natural for him to say to a lad, as the fire engines passed up the avenue, "Come, my boy, we've got to see the fire." This spirit characterized him in all his work and, consequently, he was always a welcome visitor and friend in every section of his great parish.

The spiritual stature of Dr. Babcock is reflected in this hymn, which is all afire with God and the glory of his world. Its exquisite lines abound with religious faith. The hymn has the warmth and cheer of

sunlight.

The tune is an arrangement of an English melody made by Edward Shippen Barnes, whose contributions to Junior song have endeared him to many religious workers. The singing should be bright and cheerful: ardent musical conversation. But this should become more intense from the fifth line on, until in the last line the closing strain is like a pæan of exultation. Increasing depth of feeling can be supported by the pianist, by bringing out the inner harmony of the music.

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is." Hymn 44

The Twenty-third Psalm has appeared in many versions, but this is one of the most beautiful. As a literary masterpiece it represents, so writes Dr. Louis F. Benson, "the perfection of what we may call the modern art or craft of hymn-making." It was written by Rev. Sir Henry Williams Baker, an English baronet. That he was a man of simple faith and honest piety is attested by the hymn, which is a beautiful tribute to Christ, the Good Shepherd. His love for the Master pulsates in every line

and voices itself in the flowing imagery of the song. That the author found great satisfaction in his own handiwork is shown by the fact, that, when he lay dying, he was overheard to repeat the following couplet:

> "And on His shoulder gently laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me."

In the tune we have Dr. Dykes at his best. The melody is simple and intimate, as catching as a pastorale. The harmony is rich and rugged, and gives subtle expression to the shepherd's rustic life. While the singing should be in strict time, the rhythm of the tune should voice at every point the varied moods and emotions of the text.

"There's **Song** in the Air." Hymn 55

Josiah Gilbert Holland, the author of "There's a Song in the Air," will be remembered by this hymn. Few religious lyrics have been provided with more musical settings than this: it is a favorite with composers. It has in it all the elements necessary for dramatic harmonic expression and is, therefore, much in vogue during the Christmas season.

At a meeting of the Hymn Society of New York City a few years ago, nearly twenty different tunes with which it is associated were played. Among the number was that by Sherman Price, then a Junior in one of the churches of the city. Because it was a boy's production and was inspired at a rehearsal of Christmas carols, and beautifully expresses the Christmas spirit, it won instant favor. The music is exquisite in sentiment and lyric in form. Because it has a cradle-song lilt in the melody, it can be readily recalled long after it has been sung or played.

The text of the hymn epitomizes the details of Jesus' birth. Almost the entire story is outlined in the first four lines. The author vividly recalls the song of the angels,

the star in the sky, and the "tumult of joy o'er the wonderful birth." With two or three bold lines he makes us hear the "mother's deep prayer" and the "Baby's low cry." Just a little imagination is needed to fill in the remaining details. The hymn is climactic, and moves on from the events incident to Christ's birth to the statement of what his coming has contributed to the life of man. The climax is effective and masterful:

"And that song from afar
Has swept over the world:
Ev'ry hearth is aflame, and the beautiful sing
In the homes of the nations that Jesus is King."

The hymn was written in 1872, when the author was residing in New York City, and filling the editor's chair of Scribner's Monthly. It appeared first in the pages of this well-known magazine, and since then has found its way into every corner of Christendom.

The singing should be joyous and light in movement. An effective way to introduce the tune to Juniors is to have the first two stanzas sung as a solo, while the other parts are hummed softly by the officers and teachers. The hymn has great possibilities for the Junior choir, which should include it in its repertoire.

"D Little Town of Bethlehem." Hymn 56

This beautiful carol, which is cherished all over the world, was written by one of America's great men, Phillips Brooks, D.D. While he was rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, in Philadelphia, Dr. Brooks was granted a year's leave for travel in the Holy Land and elsewhere. On the trip he visited Bethlehem, saw its terraced gardens, and rode through the fields where the shepherds, while watching their flocks, saw

the star and heard the angel chorus. He worshiped with the people of Bethlehem in a Christmas service, in a church which is supposed to mark where the stable stood in which Jesus was born. The experiences through which he passed were so profound that after his return to Philadelphia the carol took shape in his mind.

It was first sung at a Christmas service of the Sunday school, and to the music with which it is associated in this Hymnal. The composer, Mr. Lewis H. Redner, organist of the church, explains how the music came to be. "I was roused from sleep late on Saturday night," he writes, "hearing an angel strain in my ear. Seizing a piece of music paper, I jotted down the treble of the tune as we now have it, and on Sunday morning, before going to church, I filled in the harmony."

The hymn splendidly expresses the various emotions that characterize the Christmastide, ranging from simple childlike faith, wonder, good will, and prayer to adoring love. The third stanza may be used as a solo with good results. When so used, it prepares the heart for the last stanza, which is a prayer:

"O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us to-day."

"Silent Aight! Holy Aight!" Hymn 65

To be awakened on Christmas Eve by the singing of this carol is an inspiring experience. If a teacher has had such an experience, she should tell about it, when introducing the hymn to the school. It will interest the children to learn that troubadours and waits have used it for more than a hundred years to serenade their friends on Christmas Eve, or on Christmas Day. To hear "Silent Night! Holy Night!" at the midnight hour, under the silent stars,

while Christmas candles are flickering in the windows of neighbors and kin, brings heaven to earth, and so moves the heart that whatever sadness it may know is sub-

merged in the peace of God.

The carol comes to us from Austria, and was written by Joseph Mohr, assistant pastor of a church near Salzburg. The imagery used by the author to recall the night of the Saviour's birth is tender and Nothing could be more exquisite than the picture he suggests when he writes that "all is dark" except the place where the young mother watches over her first-born. Equally beautiful is the picture of the sudden light in the heavens. when the angels appeared, singing, "Alleluia! hail the King!" The warmth and solicitude in the reference to the star that guided the Wise Men with their gifts to the manger, and still points the way for all consecrated souls to-day, are inspiring.

The music, written by Franz Gruber, a schoolmaster at Ansdorf, has been used for more than a century. In singing the carol, the first strain of each stanza should be sung softly. The second requires a marked crescendo, which ought to be sustained until the fifth strain, when the voice mellows and becomes softer as it continues to

the end.

"Me Three Kings of Orient Are." Hymn 69

This is a hymn of challenging picturesqueness, and portrays the journey of the Wise Men to the manger in Bethlehem, where they honored the Christ-child with their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Because it is so full of daring and heroism, no event in connection with Christ's birth fascinates Juniors more than this. The long journey over hill and desert, through fruitful plains and barren heights, attended with perils of all kinds, and guided by a wonderful star, is firmly fixed in their

memory. If given a chance, they can tell the story. Because they are familiar with it, they like to sing this carol.

The carol lends itself to dramatic interpretation. When it is so interpreted, a manger near a lighted Christmas tree should be provided. Behind it on the wall should be a star, brightly illuminated. Three Juniors, impersonating the Magi, should approach from the rear and move in the direction of the star, singing the first stanza in unison. The entire school is requested to join in the refrain. Thereupon the first king sings the second stanza and, without the singing of the refrain, presents his gift. The other two kings follow in order, and, when their gifts have been made, join with the school in the last stanza and refrain. While doing this, the Magi march to the rear and disappear.

Both words and music are by John Henry Hopkins, D.D., who was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 28, 1820. He held many prominent pastorates in the Episcopal Church and throughout his entire career gave much thought to the

hymnody of his denomination.

"My Master Was So Very Poor." Hymn 76

This hymn is a literary treasure, and should be considered for memory work. Though written only a few years ago, it has been set in both anthem and solo musical forms. The music with which it is here associated is new, and was especially composed for this volume by Professor Karl P. Harrington, of Wesleyan University. The words are by Harry Lee, a writer of verse that is characterized by fine spiritual discernment and religious power.

The author presents in this hymn three pictures in contrast. The first stanza portrays Jesus as so poor that a manger is his cradle, yet so rich that kings delight to do

him honor. The second describes him as so poor that the bread of the lowly is welcome to him; but with all this poverty, he is able to feed a multitude without exhausting his resources. The third stanza is climactic and portrays Christ's Passion: "nailed . . . naked to a cross." Moreover, he is so rich in his death that all humanity has been blessed by it.

By this kind of treatment the author shows us the love and friendship of Jesus and makes a profound impression. Both reader and singer are drawn to the Master with a more fervid devotion. He is the Friend who never fails those who need him.

The music and words are well suited to each other, and should be sung with feeling and expression. Tempo and shading are conditioned by the text, and should aim to bring out the contrasts so exquisitely stated throughout the hymn. The composer suggests a retard for the last strain, and this should be strictly observed.

"Thy Works of Love." Hymn 77

The friendship of Jesus may be a fresh experience each day. To make it so, his life of service and compassion must constantly be kept in mind. The hymn shows how this may be done. It indicates that the mere mention of "Galilee" recalls the "healing wonders" and the gracious words of the Saviour. The happy scene of Jesus and the children comes to mind in the same way. So, also, one recalls the feeding of the multitude, when the Master used a boy's loaves and fishes, and sent the people away satisfied. Children played a large part in Jesus' life; they filled his days with cheer; "in the temple court their song . . . was perfect praise" to him.

The tune, by Carl F. Price, was especially written for this hymn and reflects its aim and spirit. It should be sung in even tempo. The last strain expresses warmth and gratitude, and should be interpreted with feeling.

"At Work Beside His Father's Bench." Hymn 79

The world would be a lonely place without friends. A great writer says of them, "Our friends are the best part of us." Dr. Johnson, who compiled the first English dictionary, and was very fortunate in his friends, advised "that people should take great pains to keep their friendships in repair."

This hymn introduces the never-failing Friend, and tells how he worked and played in Galilee. It gives us a glimpse of his home life, in a "little flat-roofed house," where he was the joy and support of his mother, whom he served with willing hand and loving heart. Very properly the stanzas dealing with these facts lead to a refrain, which is a prayer:

"Comrade of boys and girls like us, Playmate so straight and true, In all our work, in all our play, Make us true comrades too."

The concluding verses deal with his friendship for all kinds of people, "throughout the countryside"—the troubled, the sick, and the weary. For humble folk, no matter what their need, he faced hardship and danger. His devotion on their behalf persisted to the end.

Such friendship inspired the author to write a second refrain, which also is a prayer:

"Comrade of men, so strong and true, Help us strong friends to be; Make us true comrades one and all, To others and to Thee."

The tune is an arrangement from an English traditional melody. The first four lines of each stanza should be sung in recitative mode. The refrain, being a prayer, should be sung with expression. An even tempo is desired.

In introducing this hymn to the school effective use may be made of Hofmann's

picture, entitled, The Childhood of Jesus. It is one of the Perry pictures, and depicts Jesus in Joseph's shop. His mother is close by and watches him with pleased expression. Joseph and the lad are engaged in a common task, and happy in each other.

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor." Hymn 81

This is an accepted processional hymn for Palm Sunday, and is always a delightful number for Juniors to sing at the church service on that day. It has great possibilities for the Junior choir, which should be prepared to sing it upon short notice. As a hymn of praise, it may be used at any time.

In teaching it to Juniors, the Scripture passages dealing with the triumphal entry should be read or recited. With the Biblical account fresh in mind, the charm, grace, and dignity of the hymn will be seen and felt. Plockhörst's picture, Christ's Entry Into Jerusalem, can be used with telling effect.

The author is Theodulph of Orleans, who wrote it about A.D. 820 for his choir of boys, in whom he was greatly interested. At the time Theodulph was a prisoner of the king who unjustly cast him into one of his strongholds. While thus confined, his interest in the choir continued and the boys were permitted to visit him. In the Eastertide of that year he wrote this hymn and trained them to sing it. It is said that one day the king heard the choir singing and was so impressed that he ordered Theodulph's release, saying, "Who befriends the boys of the kingdom like that, will do no wrong to his king."

The tune is an antique, and goes back to A.D. 1615, when it was composed by Melchior Teschner. It represents the type of music that was then used by large choirs, or choral societies, in community singing. Its measures are stately and move forward like an army on the march. While a strict tempo is required, the singing should be

buoyant and jubilant. When used as a processional, retards ought to be avoided, and particular attention given to the strong beats of each measure. Inasmuch as the singing in the Junior school will be in unison, the pianist must bring out the harmony. The playing can be given a pipeorgan effect by playing the bass an octave lower and by a judicious use of the pedal.

"There Is • Green Hill Far Away." Hymn 85

"There Is a Green Hill Far Away" is a hymn about the Saviour's Passion. It was written by a great friend of children, Mrs. Cecil F. Alexander, who began to write verse as a child and continued to do so through her entire life. Much of her work was done for children and many of her poems are now classics in the world of childhood. Even when she became bishop's wife and found her life very exacting, she wrote hymns and tried them on her Sunday-school class. She loved the young, knew their hearts, and delighted in their loyalty. She liked to hear them sing, and published a book of children's hymns, in 1848, in which appeared this hymn.

Her purpose was simple and definite: she wished young and old to see the place of the cross in the Christian life. She writes of it as the symbol of Christ's love, the sure pledge of his devotion to suffering humanity. Strange to say, the hymn was a favorite with children from the first. This can be explained by the fact that it is a hymn of pictures: its lines are pictorial in character. The language used has the warmth and simplicity of childhood. She brings the great tragedy home to the young with a felicity of expression that does no violence to their tender natures.

The musical setting by John H. Gower is closely associated with this hymn, and is a favorite tune in American churches. Its strains are contemplative in character and truly express the sentiments of the text.

The notes, being in the middle of the treble staff, voice deep feeling and should be sung prayerfully. An even tempo is necessary. The pianist should give special prominence to the bass notes in the first and the third lines.

In creating atmosphere for the hymn and its use, several pictures by Hofmann will be helpful. The following subjects are suggested: Christ in Gethsemane, Christ Before Pilate, and Christ Bearing the Cross.

"Jesus Christ Is Risen To-Day." Hymn 89

"Jesus Christ Is Risen To-Day" goes back to the fourteenth century, when it appeared as an old Latin Easter carol. The author is not known. A manuscript of it, belonging to that period, is now in Munich, but gives no clue as to who might have written it. Since its first appearance in English, in 1708, it has been revised and reshaped a number of times. The last stanza was added by Charles Wesley, in

No Easter hymn is more beloved than this. Wide use is made of it. It is popular in the public schools where the singing of it in the assemblies of the children is an inspiring event. In the services of the Church and the Church school, its familiar strains secure immediate acceptance, they are so spiritually uplifting and refreshing. The hymn is popular because it voices Christ's triumph over death. It sings its way into every heart that has been sorely tried or that has suffered loss, because its message is that of the angel who said, "He is risen, he is not here."

The author of the tune is not known. It has been attributed in turn to Handel, whose work it resembles, and to Dr. Worgan, whose name it bears. While we do not know the composer, we are quite sure that his was a great soul. Intense emotion is reflected in the music and moves through the measures with power.

The hymn offers fine opportunity for antiphonal singing—part of the school singing the stanzas, the rest responding with the "Alleluia." For general use, however, the first two lines of all the stanzas should be sung in an easy mode, and should then suddenly give way to joyous emotion as the "Alleluia" is sung. A swelling of tones will be effective in the second and the fourth lines. The last stanza, being a doxology, should command every voice in the school, as well as the skill of the pianist.

"Now the Winter Days Are G'er." Hymn or

Dr. Benson, the author of this hymn, associates the fact of the resurrection with the springtide, when the trees are in leaf, the flowers in bloom, and the birds have returned to sing in field and garden. All nature, he writes, is vibrant with life awaking

"From its night of gloom; While the light of morning breaks On the empty tomb."

"He is ris'n; He is not here," are the glad words to which the facile pen of Dr. Benson leads the singer in the third stanza; and so the joy that was Mary's becomes his, too. The effect of this is cumulative and prepares the heart for the closing lines of the hymn, which leave us in the presence of the Lord alone.

The tune is by John R. Sweney, the composer of many songs for children and young people. Its melody is simple, bright, and joyous, and requires a strict tempo. The bell motif in the refrain must not be too fast, but so timed as to give the impression that one is waiting to hear the bells ring.

Plockhörst's painting, He Is Risen, should be available when this hymn is taught. John's account of the resurrection might be read by one of the Juniors.

"The Lord Is Ever Near." Hymn 95

"Mother always knows what I want," said a little child one day. The remark was overheard by a discouraged pastor, who lifted his heart in prayer and said, "Thou, O God, knowest what I need."

This lyric carries the same message, "The Lord Is Ever Near." God knows what we want; he understands what we need. His "love is sure," his care is "very wise," and "He gives us what He knows is best."

In teaching the hymn to Juniors, an experience in the life of Henry Drummond may be helpful. One day, being told that a lonely lad was lying sick in a near-by hospital, he paid him a visit. He amused him by telling him stories, he surprised him with a few simple gifts, and, on leaving, turned to him quietly and said, "My boy, God loves you very much; he will help you."

That night the nurse overheard the boy say repeatedly, "God loves me; he will help me." With the words on his lips, he fell asleep and in the morning awoke greatly strengthened.

The unknown author of this hymn must have had an unusual religious experience, for he is so spiritually assuring in what he wrote. The music is quiet and confident, and should have broad, smooth, melodic expression. It should be sung prayerfully and softly. An effective way to interpret it is to have some one sing it as a prayer, while heads are bowed and eyes closed.

Two pictures will be helpful in interpreting the message of the hymn. The one is by Plockhörst, entitled The Consoling Christ; the other is Hofmann's On the Way to Emmaus.

"Hushed Was the Evening Hymn." Hymn 102

Samuel became the greatest judge in Israel's "Iron Age." This hymn throws light on his character. Before it is taught

the minds of the Juniors should be refreshed concerning the story of Samuel. Otherwise they may fail to appreciate its beauty and may miss its message.

Samuel spent his boyhood in the Temple. How he was called is hinted at in the first stanza. The rest of the hymn deals directly with his character: his "open ear," "alive and quick to hear"; his heart that waited for God and watched at the gates of the Temple; his mind that read "with childlike eyes truths that are hidden from the wise." The hymn is a prayer to make these characteristics one's own.

The hymn, written by a Scotch minister, James Drummond Burns, is characterized by simplicity, beauty, and reverence. These elements are reflected in the music, by Sir Arthur S. Sullivan, whose tunes and oratorios are known throughout the world. The tune is highly devotional and prayerful. The progression of the notes, as they rise and fall, will help in the shading of the tones, and indicate where crescendos and diminuendos belong.

In introducing the hymn, it is suggested that James Sant's picture entitled The Child Samuel be used. This portrays Samuel listening to God, with eyes full of wonder and surprise. A picture by Harold Copping will also be helpful. The latter shows Samuel beside Eli's bedside, where he is being told what to say the next time he hears the voice in the night.

"Faith of Our Fathers." Hymn 103

The author of this hymn, Rev. Frederick W. Faber, comes of Huguenot ancestry, and, because of the sufferings of his people, can write with authority. History states that at one time more than seventy thousand Huguenot followers perished in France through persecution. Many thousands more had to flee for their lives. However, "in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword," their faith is living still to challenge the loyalty of God's people everywhere.

This hymn is a call to follow Jesus Christ, and can be used effectively at a consecration service to elicit decisions or to inspire loyalty. In singing the tune, which is by Henri F. Hemy, the first four lines of each stanza should be animated in voice and movement. A climax is called for in the last two lines. The word "true" in the last line needs the emphasis of a pause and stronger voice. A retard from there on is most effective.

Two pictures may be used in introducing the hymn: the one by Bayes, entitled The Departure of the Mayflower; the other by Rothermel, The Landing of the Pilgrims. Both indicate what people will suffer and endure for their faith in God.

"Me Thank Thee, Lord, Thy Boundless Love." Hymn 110

Once, after a day of unusual hardship, David Livingstone made an entry in his diary that helps us to account for his great courage and power. It was this:

"Jesus Christ is my Friend and Saviour; I have staked all on his honor, and he has not failed me."

That such would be his relation to them, Jesus assured his disciples. He would not leave them desolate; he would be their comfort in trial, their strength in affliction, their peace in the midst of the world's confusion and restlessness. This relation, at once so vital and so beautiful, the hymn endeavors to reflect. It rejoices in the Saviour's love and friendship, and explains how it sustains, inspires, and supports those who serve and trust him.

Among the similes which should be pointed out to the Juniors when the hymn is taught are the following: Christ's love has about it the fullness of the ocean, constantly giving itself but never impoverished; his love is like the overarching sky, and "enfolds us like the air we breathe"; it "warms us like the sun"; in the night its security is like the embrace of a mother:

in the heat of the day it is like a refreshing spring by the wayside. Jesus Christ's love is the inspiration of our "songs of praise," for it shelters us, bears our burdens, and, after the night of trial, "gives us back the morn."

The music is by Edward Shippen Barnes, an organist in Philadelphia and a writer of Junior anthems. "I have called the tune," said he, "Fluvii, because the ideas of the hymn move on like refreshing streams." The music is joyous, rich in harmonic treatment, and should be sung brightly and in strict time. The last stanza, being a prayer, requires more feeling, broader tones, and discrimination in shading.

The thought of the hymn may be brought out by the use of Hobbema's picture, The Mill and the Landscape. Like the mountain stream which turns the wheels of the mill, waters the meadow, and assuages the thirst of man, is the love of God in its abounding ministry to humanity.

"I Mould Be True." Hymn 119

This hymn was written by a young minister, Howard Arnold Walter, a graduate of Princeton University and of Hartford Theological Seminary. At the university he was a favorite among the students and was greatly beloved. His fine disposition, together with his rich and refreshing religious life, gave him a place of leadership. The students sought him as a friend, made much of him in their social life, deferred to him in their university activities, and followed him in his wholesome Christian life. He was a poet of great promise, and for a while wrote a poem daily. In his studies he won honors of the highest distinction in literature, and served on the editorial staff of some of the university publications.

Because of ill health, he secured leave of absence and spent a year in Japan, teaching literature in Wasedea University, Tokyo. While there he wrote this hymn, which he called "My Creed," and sent it

to his mother at Christmas. She was so pleased with it that she sent it to Harper's Magazine, which published it. In 1912 it appeared in a volume of his poems entitled "My Creed and Other Poems."

After graduating from Hartford Theological Seminary the author gave his life to Christian work on the foreign field, and went to India as a secretary of the International Young Men's Christian Association. His promising future was cut off by influenza in 1919.

He is remembered by this hymn, which abounds with spiritual passion and heroism of soul. In it are noble daring, truthfulness, courage, laughter, friendship, love. Juniors will like it for its manliness. How wonderful is the last line: "I would look up, and laugh, and love, and lift"! Why not repeat it the first thing in the morning?

The music, by Joseph Yates Peek, is simple and prayerful, highly emotional without being sentimental, and effectively reflects the sentiments of the hymn. For a consecration service it is unexcelled.

"In Our More and in Our Play." Hymn 124

The happiest children in the world are those in Christian countries. Their games are the brightest and freest, their sports are the cleanest. Jesus Christ, so say our missionaries, has made this difference. He brightens everything he touches. His is the spirit of freedom and elasticity, and it manifests itself in radiancy of soul, buoyancy of heart, and alertness of mind. On this account the hymns we are now studying have a real message.

Jesus on the playground! What can be more delightful than that? With us in our work! What can be more inspiring? The hymn makes it clear that neither work nor play loses anything because we are Christians. A university football team in the South, which has a wonderful record, is always led in prayer before it plays. The

religion of the team makes its men fine gentlemen and so good sports. Jesus makes the contest more wonderful.

The same is true of one's work. A master workman, whose business it was to build and finish grand pianos, and who worked by an open window looking out on Long Island Sound, once said, "I look out and up, and so find it easier to do what is expected of me." This is the point of this beautiful hymn and its very fascinating music. When this is made clear to the Juniors, they will truly be able to sing,

"O how happy thus to spend Work and playtime in His sight."

William Chatterton Dix is the author. The four hymns by him in our Church hymnal rejoice in Jesus Christ. This hymn is not unlike them. The tune arranged by Richard Redhead truly expresses the text, and has a flowing melody. It offers fine opportunity for the pianist to bring out the rhythmic movement of the bass. A retard in the third strain is suggested. The last strain should be in strict time, but joyous.

"Take My Life, and Let It Be." Hymn 126

Children know this hymn and like it. Many of them can repeat it from memory, and will be greatly helped by being familiar with its origin.

It was written by Frances Ridley Havergal, the author of many hymns and other poems. Of her hymns none is more widely known or more extensively used than this. Its spiritual enthusiasm and charm have won for it this eminence. Back of it is her wonderful life and character, and pervading it is her profound religious experience.

How it came to be is interesting. It was written while she was visiting Areley House, England, 1874, whither she went after an unusual religious experience during the previous Christmastide. "There were," she writes, "ten persons in the house, some un-

converted and long prayed for; some converted but not rejoicing Christians. God gave me the prayer: 'God give me all in this house.' And he just did! Before I left the house everyone had got a blessing. . . . It was nearly midnight when I retired, but I was too happy to sleep, and passed most of the night in praise and renewal of my own consecration; and the little couplets of my hymn formed themselves and chimed in my breast one by one until they finished with 'Ever, only, all for thee.'"

The hymn thus reflects the intensity of her own consecration, which was so profound that sometime later she decided to give all her jewels, except a few which she had received from her parents, to the Church missionary house. More than this, she dedicated her musical talents, for she was an accomplished pianist and singer, to the Lord. After the year 1873 she sang nothing but sacred music. Her consecration was complete.

In teaching the hymn it is important to inform the Juniors that hers was a very happy life, and that at no time was she happier than when ministering to young people and children, by whom she was loved devotedly.

The hymn is a prayer and should be sung thoughtfully and without gesture or other demonstration. It is a very serious hymn, and the music admirably reflects its purpose. It should be sung in exact time. Watch the dotted quarter notes and give them full value.

"Going to School." Hymn 142

Few sights are more arresting in the course of a day than the morning march of children to school. They come from all sides with laughter and gayety, rollicking good nature and superb abandon. Whatever seriousness may be in their hearts is not reflected on their faces, nor betrayed by their conversation. "The sight of these moving columns," remarked a great edu-

cator, "thrills me. It makes me keenly sensible of my responsibility."

John Martin, who wrote "Going to School," must have shared these feelings. Otherwise one can hardly account for the hymn, which is a prayer that almost every healthy boy or girl, facing another school day, would be glad to offer to his Maker. Possibly the lines are reminiscent of his own habits as a boy and express the prayers of his childhood. Be that as it may, the hymn has been set to music and included here in the hope that it may become the happy possession of every Junior boy and girl.

The petitions of the hymn are brief. The first seeks God's help for the many things that need to be done:

"O bless my spirit, heart, and brain, And make me thoughtful, kind, and true."

The second is an admission that with God's help one's lessons will be easily done; the hours of study will be fun and therefore pass quickly. The third rejoices in God's guidance, and thanks him for making the day's lessons plain. The last petition is more fervid than the others, and asks God to make all life and living show that knowledge is divine.

The tune is by Edward Shippen Barnes and was written in less than half an hour. It was especially composed for this hymn and appears here for the first time. The melody has a fine range of tone, covering an octave, and is readily sung. The inner harmony of the piece, when well done, makes one conscious of the hum and life of the schoolroom. Feeling and intensity should mark the singing of the last two strains. The first two strains should be confident in approach but not too loud.

"D Zion, Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling." Hymn 143

A number of years ago a man of great wealth made a tour of the world. Being a

Christian, he was especially anxious to visit churches and schools in missionary fields. He wished to secure first-hand information about the hardships of his friends on the field and ascertain the measure of their success. He penetrated China, visited Korea, and spent several months in India. In turn he visited hospitals and churches, dispensaries and schools, and was impressed by the things he saw and experienced. In a letter home appeared these sentences: "Within fifty miles of a mission compound, I can tell that the missionaries are not far away. Their presence makes a difference in the life of the people."

Because Christianity makes a difference and humanity needs it, its work requires haste. "O Zion, haste" are the opening words of this hymn, so that it becomes a challenge to greater loyalty to the Master's commission to make the kingdoms of the world his own. These words are like the slogan that was hurled from town and hamlet centuries ago by the leaders of Israel, who said that the king's business required haste.

What is the Christian's mission? To tell a story, to bear good news, to herald salvation. To the author, Mrs. Mary Ann Thomson, the commission is threefold: "To tell to all the world that God is Light" and the only one who can dissipate its darkness; "that God, in whom they live and move, is Love" and alone can save sinful man; and to give wealth, service, and prayer, together with one's children, to the enterprise.

Junior workers will find the hymn finely adapted for processional purposes. When so used, it is suggested that in the procession be two buglers or trumpeters with instruments raised to the lips, but not played; two Juniors carrying Bibles; two others bearing torches; and two wearing cap and gown and carrying diplomas, indicating that they have dedicated themselves to Christian service. The procession should move to the platform and return to the rear.

In the singing the school joins in the refrain.

The hymn is martial in character and should observe strictly the strong beats of the measures. The refrain should be intense and in louder tones. The last strain should begin with a marked crescendo and be retarded toward the end.

"Me've a Story to Tell to the Nations." Hymn 149

Few missionary hymns are used more widely or more acceptably than "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations." In part this is due to the fact that the hymn is fortunate in its tune, which perfectly expresses its purpose and message. Then, also, the text of the hymn is very explicit and states definitely what the commission of the Church is: to tell a story, to herald a message, and to show the nations their Saviour. The refrain is very forceful in its progression, and refers to the "darkness" giving way to the "dawning," and the "dawning" emerging into the "noonday bright." It closes with a vision of redeemed humanity, in which Christ is King and love and light reign forever.

Both words and music have the same authorship in Henry Ernest Nichol, who invariably used his right name with the tunes he composed, but published his hymns mostly under the anagram of "Colin Sterne." This single authorship explains why text and tune form a hymnodic union destined to be increasingly happy and successful.

The singing of this hymn should be spirited, but not too fast. Music and words should be carefully articulated and should yield to the thought and emotion of the author. A martial tempo characterizes the refrain, but this should be retarded in the last two strains, in order that each word and syllable may have full value.

In introducing the hymn, it is suggested that one or two stories of the foreign field be told or read. They will help to arouse interest and to create missionary atmosphere.

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee.' Hymn 155

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee" was first sung on July 4, 1832, at a children's patriotic celebration in Boston; and ever since it has been popular not only among the young but among older persons as well. It was written by a young man preparing for the ministry, who knew New England's wonderful landscape, its fine outlook, its rivers and waterfalls, and delighted in its "templed hills." He was studying at the Andover Theological Seminary, and there, looking out over the campus and across the countryside, wrote its exquisite lines. He wrote it in less than half an hour. It was an inspiration, the outburst of his devoted heart. Before him as he wrote was the tune known by us as "America," the virile harmony of which greatly attracted him and fired his patriotic soul. His name is Samuel F. Smith. He also wrote the great missionary hymn, "The Morning Light Is Breaking." Both hymns have made his name imperishable.

The hymn attracted the attention of Lowell Mason, who was greatly interested in training children in song. It was he who brought it to Boston for a Fourth-of-July celebration in the Park Street Church. From that time on it found its way into the schools, was sung at picnics and at patriotic celebrations, and later incorporated in the hymnology of the Church. "The people took it into their hearts," wrote the author, when he was asked to account for its success.

The tune "America" is the musical setting to England's national anthem, "God Save the King." Consequently it becomes a bond of union between these two great countries.

"America the Beautiful." Hymn 157

This patriotic hymn was inspired by a trip across the country in 1893 when

Chicago was the center of international interest through the Columbian Exposition which was held there. For the author, Miss Katharine Lee Bates, Professor of English Literature at Wellesley College, it proved to be a memorable experience.

After seeing the exposition, with its vast treasures from all parts of the world, and the "Windy City" with its interesting lake shore, she proceeded westward to the Rockies. On the way she crossed great rivers, saw at first hand great fields of waving grain and extensive prairies with grazing herds, delighted in beautiful hamlets and towns on both sides of the road, and finally came in sight of the snows on Long's Peak, Pike's Peak, and Lookout Mountain. The sights and experiences of the trip challenged her poetic soul and inspired the writing of the hymn.

The hymn is a truly great lyric poem, with balanced couplets and moving metaphors, all aflame with patriotic fire and religious devotion. The wonderful thing about the hymn is that the writer lifts America into the presence of God. "This explains," writes Carl F. Price, "why each stanza is rounded out with a prayer that to the physical beauty of her native land God may add the highest moral beauty."

"May God thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness
And every gain divine!"

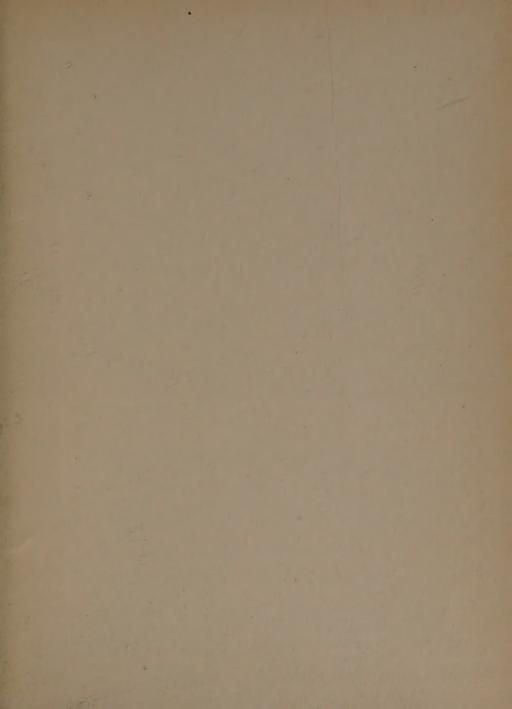
The music is the tune "Materna" which admirably expresses its sense and rhythm. The fifth strain, covering the words, "America! America!" should be sung with high emotion. The concluding strains should be intense and prayerful, with words and music carefully articulated at the close. A retard, with accents on the dotted quarter notes in the next to the last strain, is suggested. As the progression of the last strain indicates, the hymn should close with a crescendo.

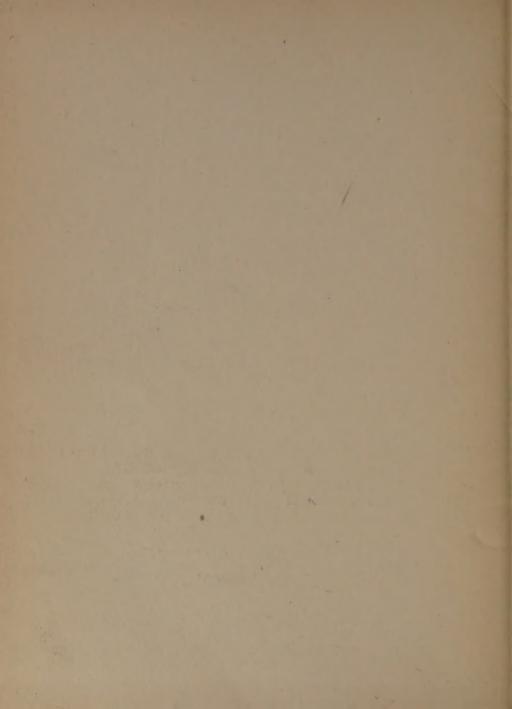
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